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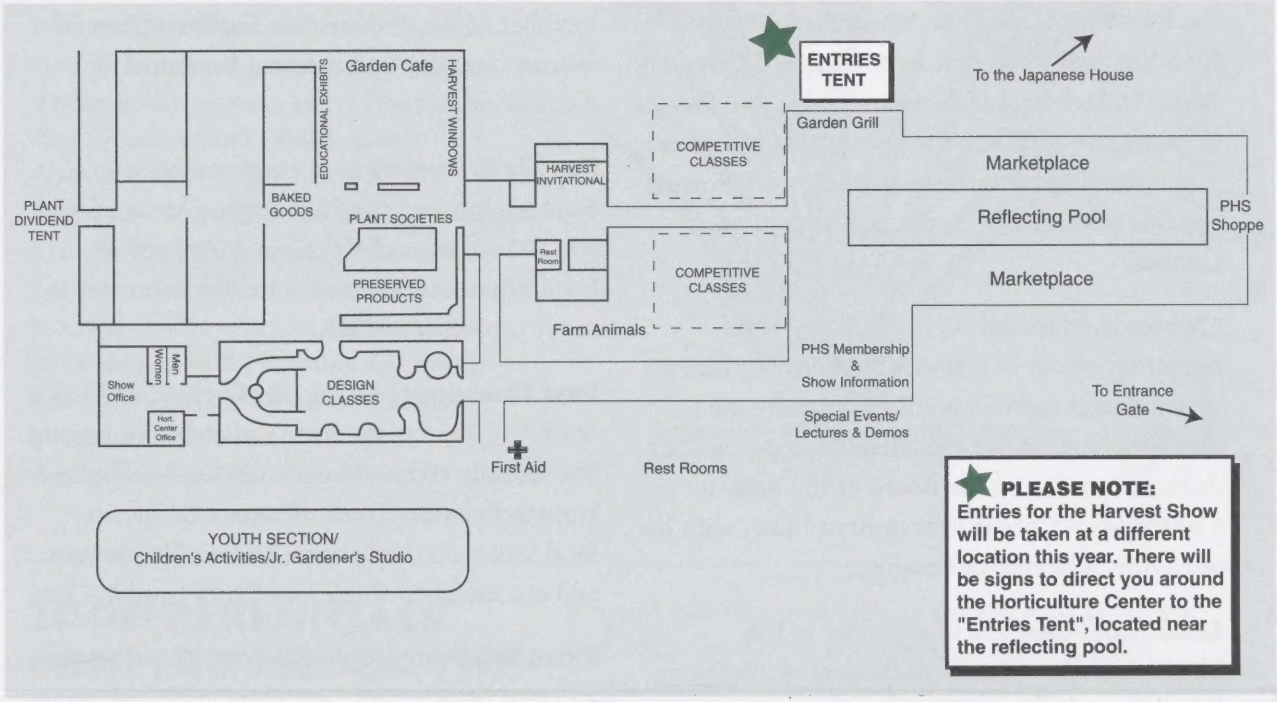
WELCOME TO THE 2000 PHILADELPHIA HARVEST SHOW!



PLEASE NOTE:
Entries for the Harvest Show will be taken at a different location this year. There will be signs to direct you around the Horticulture Center to the "Entries Tent", located near the reflecting pool.

INFORMATION

What: The 2000 Philadelphia Harvest Show
Where: Fairmount Park's Horticulture Center, Horticultural Drive, Philadelphia, PA
When: September 16 & 17, 2000, 10 am - 5 pm
Admission: Adults $6; Children under 12 $2
More info: (215) 988-8800 or www.libertynet.org/phs
Group Sales: Please call 215-988-8800 and request a Philadelphia Harvest Show Order Form
Entering the Competitions: To learn about entering or to receive an exhibitor's guide, call 215-988-8800 or e-mail *eefran@pennhort.org*
The registration station for entries is located near the reflecting pool (see "ENTRIES TENT" on map).

DIRECTIONS

Public Transportation: Take SEPTA Route #38 bus to Belmont and Montgomery. Walk from Montgomery to North Horticulture Drive and go through the gates to the Horticulture Center.

By car from the East: Take the Schuykill Expressway (I-76) West and exit at Montgomery Drive; turn left onto Montgomery Drive; take first left onto Horticultural Drive and follow the signs.

By car from the West: Take the Schuykill Expressway (I-76) east and exit at Montgomery Drive; turn right onto Montgomery Drive; take first left onto Horticultural Drive and follow the signs.

Via Belmont Avenue from western suburbs: Take Belmont Avenue to Montgomery Drive; take a left onto Montgomery Drive; take first right onto Horticultural Drive and follow the signs.

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is proud to present the 2000 Philadelphia Harvest Show. *Harvest 2000 and Beyond* will be held at Fairmount Park's beautiful Horticulture Center during the weekend of September 16th and 17th (see below for Members' Opening on Sept. 15th). This show captures the essence of the harvest in a festive autumn atmosphere, featuring horticultural and artistic competitions, gardening "how-to" and craft demonstrations, the second annual Great Pumpkin Pie Contest, and an open-air marketplace.

This year, there will be significant changes to the layout of the Show, with new locations for the competitive classes, youth section, and the registration station for artistic and horticultural entries (see map).

The Philadelphia Harvest Show provides fun for the entire family. Youth activities will include mask making and pumpkin painting, along with children's competitions for the best vegetables, annuals, perennials, and container gardens, and more.

You can see more than 2,500 stunning floral and harvest displays including grand flower arrangements, gigantic vegetables, delicate pressed plants, tasty baked goods, and container-grown annuals all competing for blue ribbons. There are also FREE lectures and demos. Learn how to make a festive floral arrangement for a wedding, special event, or holiday celebration.

If you love to shop, visit the newly expanded Harvest Market with 40 vendors–garden gadgets, plants and gifts galore. Enjoy lunch at the Garden Cafe.

There's lots to do at the Philadelphia Harvest Show this year. See you September 15th, 16th or 17th!

Special Note: PHS invites you to join us for the Members' Opening Celebration on Friday, September 15th, 4 - 7 pm. The tickets you receive in the mail can be used either for the Celebration, or during the Show's public hours over the weekend.

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CALENDER OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

15 Members' Opening Celebration

15-16 Plant Dividend, Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park

16-17 Philadelphia Harvest Show, Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park

OCTOBER

4 City Gardens Contest Awards Ceremony, Pennsylvania Convention Center, 1-4 pm. Info: Flossie Narducci, (215) 988-8897 or email *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

NOVEMBER

14 Annual Meeting of Members, PHS Auditorium (20th & Arch Streets), 5 pm.

OUR NEW LOOK!

You may be wondering about the fresh, new look of *PHS News*. Designed by our Creative Services team, Anne Vallery and Kimberly Meyer, we hope this larger format will allow us to provide you with more useful information about the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society as well as make the articles easier to read.

PHS News will now appear eight times a year, during the following months: January, February, March, April, May/June, July/August, September/October, and November/December.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

26th Street Gateway

I don't usually take traffic delays quietly, but this summer I welcomed the holdups on my daily commute to work on 26th Street. More than a decade ago, when I first heard someone mention this location, I couldn't picture it. But when they said "that ugly mile that connects the Platt Bridge to the Schuylkill Expressway," I knew exactly where it was. This one mile stretch of hot dog stands, billboards, trash, and automobile tires was not, at that time, an attractive entrance to our beautiful city.

In 1987, **Don Caldwell**, then CEO of Atlantic Financial, challenged PHS to come up with a plan to improve this wasteland. Today, I am pleased and proud of what PHS has achieved on 26th Street and most grateful to our many partners. In the end, the traffic delays this summer have been for a good cause. More improvements are underway, with additional partners on board.

High on our list of long-term partners in the 26th Street Gateway project has been **Sunoco**, whose contributions have provided all of the plantings along the fence edge on the west side of the street, the continued maintenance of these plantings, and regular clean ups to remove trash. This summer, Sunoco has also cleared a vacant lot on the east side of 26th Street. Later in the season, the results of seeding will greatly improve the area.

Thanks to the continuing support of the **City of Philadelphia Streets Department** and **PennDOT**, and with revenues from the Intermodal Surface Transportation Act (ISTEA), some of the slow traffic this summer made way for the installation of wood guide rails and new curbs along the east side of 26th Street. Our newest planting partner on the east side is Steen Outdoor Advertising, who planted shrubs, perennials, and grasses outside the fence that encloses their property. Come next spring, look for yarrow, veronica, and rudbeckia to bloom.

And in the fall, with additional ISTEA revenues, new plantings will be added to the islands on the north side of the underpass that connects 26th Street to the Schuylkill Expressway.

So, the next time you go down to 26th Street, drive a little slower and, if you used this road a decade ago, try to remember the way it used to look. My memories of that picture make the improvements even more dramatic.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
President

ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, November 14, 2000

Please join us for the Society's 173rd Annual Meeting at 5pm at PHS, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. We will elect new Council members, take up any other committee business, and celebrate the recipients of the Society's awards.

The Society's Nominating Committee proposes the following Council members for re-election for additional three-year terms: **Annie D. Hyman**, **Roger D. Steinbecker**, **James B. Straw**, and **Sandra G. Young**. In addition, the Committee will place in nomination for three-year terms the following persons who are not currently members of Council:

Charles N. Marshall is president and chief operating officer of Genesee & Wyoming Inc., an international railroad holding company. He is also a member of the Philadelphia Regional Port Authority and is on the Board of the Rails-to-Conservancy. Charlie lives in Bryn Mawr with his wife, Ann, a landscape designer.

Leslie Ann Miller is a shareholder in the Philadelphia law firm of McKissock & Hoffman, P.C., where she specializes in civil litigation and appellate practice. She recently completed a term as president of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and serves on numerous boards in Philadelphia, including the Pennsylvania Ballet, WHYY, and the Regional Performing Arts Center.

James E. Nevels is founder, chairman, and chief executive officer of the Swarthmore Group. He is a Portfolio Manager and member of the firm's Investment Policy Committee. He has co-authored an article and book entitled *Tax-Exempt Financing for Colleges and Universities.*

Margaret Sadler is director of Human Resources at FMC Corporation. She currently serves on PHS's Human Resources Committee and is a member of the Philadelphia Forum of Executive Women and the International Personnel Association.

Patricia B. Sanders is an employee of Scott R. Sanders, Inc. and the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Pat serves as chair of our Membership Committee and has been a tireless volunteer in many capacities at PHS.

Jood Thompson was born in England and has her BA in Psychology from Columbia University. She recently received her MS in Counseling and Human Relations from Villanova University. Jood serves on the Preview Dinner Committee, and is a member of the Mill Creek Garden Club.

Karen Yoh is president of Barclay Travel Agency, and vice president of Corporate and Community Affairs for Day & Zimmerman. She is a member of the Travel Agency Advisory Board for Amadeus, and serves on the Flower Show Executive Committee, Board of Trustees of the Coriell Institute for Medical Research, and Duke University Library Advisory Board.

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PLEASE RETURN YOUR SIGNED PROXY, WE NEED YOUR VOTE!

PROXY FORM
The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Annual Meeting of Members, November 14, 2000

The undersigned hereby appoints Ann L. Reed, Jane G. Pepper and Kathleen G. Putnam and each of them the true and lawful attorneys of said member, with full power of substitution to vote at the Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, called to be held at 5pm on Tuesday, November 14, 2000, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present:

1. For the election of Council Members, all adult members of household should sign.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

All adult members of household should sign. _____

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Please return to PHS No Later Than November 10, 2000

JUNE 2001 ENGLISH GARDEN TOUR

Next June, Jane Pepper will lead a tour of gardens in and around Shropshire and Oxfordshire with Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized several very successful tours for PHS.

Highlights of our time in Shropshire include Powis Castle and Hodnet Hall. In Oxfordshire, we will visit Michael Heseltine's 200-acre arboretum and the Oxford Botanic Garden, as well as a wonderful array of smaller private gardens, such as the garden Pam Kreutzberg and Sybill Schwerdt developed when they retired from Sissinghurst. On the way home we will spend a couple of nights in London. The dates for the trip are June 10 through 21. To receive a brochure (available in mid-October), please check the box on the Activities and Events Reservation form or call Linda Davis in the Membership department at 215-988-8776 or email: *ldavis@pennhort.org*

TOTAL IMPACT

Want to learn about the latest achievements of Philadelphia Green, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's urban greening program? Read our newsletter *Impact 2000*, which reports on our various greening initiatives throughout the city. This periodic series aims to raise the awareness of all who work to improve the quality of life in Philadelphia. Recent subjects have included urban agriculture, vacant land issues, city trees, and youth horticulture activities. For FREE copies of these reports, please call 215-988-8809 or email: *jgannon@pennhort.org.*

CHALLENGE CLASS PLANTS FOR THE 2001 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

We challenge you to another fun year of growing plants for the Philadelphia Flower Show. Challenge Class exhibitors must obtain plants from PHS. Entries will be judged on quality, size, condition, and overall appearance. Plants will be available for purchase at PHS after September 25; plants cost $5 each. There is a limit of two of each plant per exhibitor.

Class 278: *Pelargonium* 'Skies of Italy'-judged Saturday, March 3, 2001

Class 392: *Begonia* Brazilian species-judged Tuesday, March 6, 2001

Class 494: *Solenostemon* 'Kiwi Fern' (coleus)-judged Friday, March 9, 2001

Note: PHS members should expect to receive their Exhibitor's Guides in the mail by mid-September.

2000 PERENNIALS CONFERENCE FOR THE LANDSCAPE AND GARDEN CENTER INDUSTRIES

Friday, October 20, 2000, 9 - 4pm

Don't miss the opportunity to learn more about garden design and how to photograph, grow, and market perennials. **Mary Keen** from The Old Rectory in Gloucestershire, England will open the conference. Other speakers include: **Darrel Apps** of Bridgeton, NJ; **Pierre Bennerup** of Kensington, CT; **David Culp** of Downington, PA; **Alan Detrick** of Glen Rock, NJ; **Judith Jones** of Gold Bar, WA; and **Lynn Purse** of Pittsburgh, PA.

Where: Performing Arts Center at Swarthmore College
When: Friday, October 20, 2000, 9 am to 4 pm
To register: For registration information, please contact Longwood Gardens 610-388-1000 ext. 507, Monday to Friday 8am-4pm. Advanced Registration is required.

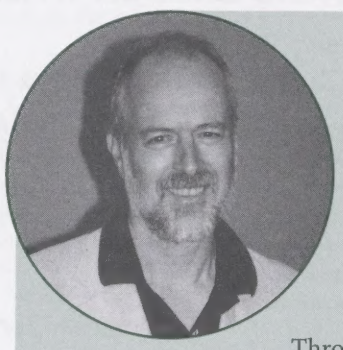
The Perennials Conference is co-sponsored by The Hardy Plant Society, Longwood Gardens, PHS, and Scott Arboretum.

THE ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES

UPCOMING EXHIBIT AT THE ACADEMY OF NATURAL SCIENCES

Join **The Academy of Natural Sciences** for *John James Audubon in the West: The Last Expedition,* coming **October 28, 2000 - January 21, 2001,** a celebration of one of "the most illustrious of America's naturalists-artists." Journals, artifacts, and Academy specimens accompany Audubon's original mammal paintings to tell the story of Audubon's final expedition along the Missouri River in 1843.

The Academy of Natural Sciences, 1900 Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia PA 19103
Call 215.299.1060 for more info.



IN THE SPOTLIGHT: LARRY STIER

Larry Stier is a teacher from head to toe. During the school year at Vare Middle School in South Philadelphia, he can be found instructing special-education students, planting trees with students in the school's tree lab, or leading a recycling drive. In his free time, he is a member of the PHS Council and the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board. For this educator, it's easy to see that learning extends beyond the classroom.

Through a grant that made it possible for the school to build a vegetable plot, Larry was instrumental in introducing horticulture into Vare's curriculum. Fifteen years, nine vegetable beds, and a tree lab later, the school is seeing the educational benefits in their students. Many of these students are now entrants in PHS events, such as the Kids Grow Expo (formally known as the Junior Flower Show), the Philadelphia Harvest Show, and the City Gardens Contest.

"From the initial garden plot, we've grown many herbs and perennials, as well as vegetables," says Larry. "It's especially empowering for the special ed students who get a chance to work alongside other students, knowing that they are just as capable as the next kid. You can truly see it in their faces."

According to Larry, the highlight of the school year is when students serve up a Thanksgiving dinner at the school. He adds, "A lot of what we cook comes from the garden. We'll have eggplant, sweet potatoes, and other delectables that make for an authentic Thanksgiving feast. It's a happy time for all of us."

Larry is also a staunch environmentalist who is often seen bicycling or riding the train to work. Known at the school as the "can man," he headed up a recycling drive last year that collected an impressive 17,000 aluminum cans. Money received from this effort was put back into the garden. Thanks to Larry's efforts, the middle-school garden is a place where not only flowers and vegetables grow, but where young minds flourish as well.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

TROPICALS IN THE GARDEN

Wednesday, September 6, 6 - 8pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** for a tour of Chanticleer's "tropical teacup"garden. Bananas, taro, pineapple lilies, ginger, and other tropical and subtropical plants fill this courtyard with lush foliage and heady fragrance. Dan will discuss how these tender plants can be used in borders or container gardens to add drama to your late-summer garden. Program limit: 20. Fee: $20; PHS members $15. ■

PHILADELPHIA HARVEST SHOW WORKSHOP

Monday, September 11, 5:30-7pm
Awbury Arboretum

Get your entries ready for this year's Philadelphia Harvest Show. Join **Delmer and Beverly Gill**, Community Gardens Chairs of the Harvest Show, and **Linda Brown**, Education Manager of Awbury Arboretum, for tips on how to prepare flowers, vegetables, herbs, and preserved products. While you're there, enjoy a walk through the newly renovated Awbury Arboretum community garden and explore the woodland trail planted with native trees, shrubs, and perennials.

The workshop is free of charge, but pre-registration is required. Awbury Arboretum is located in the Germantown section of the city. Friends and interested gardeners are welcome. Travel directions will be mailed upon confirmation of registration. ■

FLOWER ARRANGING FROM THE GARDEN

Wednesday, September 20, 5:30 - 7:30pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Lisa Crock, Chanticleer horticulturist, will lead an arranging workshop designed for gardeners. Lisa will demonstrate design basics and show how to incorporate interesting elements from the garden, such as twigs, moss, and branches. Tips for conditioning flowers will be included. We'll create arrangements from an array of fresh garden flowers and foliage gathered at Chanticleer and conditioned earlier in the day. Please bring clippers and a vase at least six inches high with an opening at least three inches wide. (No bud vases, please.) Program limit: 20. Fee: $25; PHS members $20. ■

TWILIGHT ON THE CANAL

Thursday, September 21, 6 - 8pm
Smith & Hawken, Manayunk

Join friends from the Manayunk Development Corporation and Friends of the Canal for a tour of the canal area and learn about plans for the canal's continuing revitalization. Following our tour, we'll return to Smith & Hawken for a culinary demonstration presented by Guru, the award-winning Pan Asian restaurant on South Street. **Jennifer Brown**, Guru's head chef, will show how to add sizzle and spice to your vegetable creations. Fee: $15. All are welcome, but pre-registration is required as registration is limited. ■

BOTANICAL WATERCOLOR FOR BEGINNERS

2 Thursdays, September 21 & 28, 12:30-3:30pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

This two-session course will be an introduction to materials and techniques for precise, realistic, dry brush watercolor. Basic color theory and color mixing will be covered, with emphasis on selecting colors for accurate portrayal of plants. **Louisa Rawle Tiné**, professional artist and illustrator, will be the instructor for this class. Program limit: 15. Fee: $70; PHS members $60. (Does not include materials.) A materials list and recommended sources will be sent upon registration. ■

BEGINNING IKEBANA WORKSHOP: IKENOBO MORIBANA

Tuesday, September 26, 10 - noon
PHS Auditorium

Ikebana is an ancient Japanese discipline, which combines philosophy and the art of flower arranging. A moribana arrangement typically uses a shallow container with a wide opening, and a needlepoint holder is used to hold the flowers in place. Following an introduction to Ikebana, Barbara Kidder will teach and demonstrate the basics of a moribana arrangement in the Ikenobo style.

Barbara Kidder is an assistant professor and has been a teacher of Ikenobo for more than 15 years. She is a life judge and a frequent Philadelphia Flower Show exhibitor. Program fee of $55 ($50 for PHS members) includes flowers, container, and a floral pin holder. Please bring clippers. Program limit: 16. ■

MEMBERS EXCLUSIVE WORKSHOP: BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION

6 Sessions, Thursdays, October 5, 12, 26, & November 2, 9, and 16 12:30 - 3:30pm Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Botanical illustrator **Louisa Rawle Tiné** will teach this six-session course in botanical watercolor. The emphasis is on realistic portrayal of botanical subjects and traditional methods of dry brush watercolor painting. Instruction is highly individualized and geared for students with some art background or previous experience in botanical illustration. Louisa Rawle Tiné has worked as a professional artist and illustrator for 30 years in commercial and fine arts. Program limit: 15. Fee: $180. Members only. A materials list will be mailed upon registration. *Note: no class on October 19.* ■

MEMBERS EXCLUSIVE FIELD TRIP: GARDENS IN EARLY AUTUMN

Collegeville to Malvern, PA
Saturday, October 7, 8:30am - 5:30pm

The Delaware Valley is rich with great gardens and creative gardeners. In this autumn tour, we'll stay close to home and visit four gardeners, each with their own personal style and artistic approach to gardening. We'll travel to **Jack Miller's** moss garden in Collegeville, and then visit the Malvern gardens of **Joanna Reed, Michael Bowell**, and **Queenie Northrop**. See perennial gardens, a tropical greenhouse, woodlands, and a hillside garden. Trip is limited to PHS members and their guests (one guest per member). Fee of $ 70 (guests $75) includes bus transportation, snacks, and lunch. Bus will pick up passengers in Center City and at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. *Note: please indicate your pickup choice on reservation form.* ■

MEMBERS EXCLUSIVE EVENING GARDEN WALK

Wednesday, October 11
5:30 - 7:00pm Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

PHS members will have the special opportunity to join Chanticleer executive director **Chris Woods** for an early evening walk through the estate of Chanticleer. Highlights of early fall include late-blooming perennials and grasses, autumn foliage, water gardens, and a courtyard lush with foliage, flowers, and the fragrance of rare tropical plants. Fee: $15. For a virtual tour of the garden visit www.chanticleergarden.org ■

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES: FALL TREE CARE

Wednesday, October 18,
noon - 1:00pm PHS Auditorium

Lou Giroud, ISA certified arborist, will discuss important steps you can take in the fall to care for your trees, help them survive the winter, and get a healthy start next spring. Warning signs of tree problems, storm damage prevention, fall fertilizing, pruning, watering, tree selection and planting will be covered. Ample time will be provided for questions and problem solving. Lou Giroud is founder and president of Giroud Tree Service, which is celebrating its 26th year in business. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply tea and coffee. Fee: $5. ■

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

EVENING LECTURE: FROM THE DELAWARE ESTUARY TO LAKE ERIE: HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PENNSYLVANIA FLORA

Wednesday, October 25, 6:00pm
PHS Auditorium

Ann Rhoads, director of Botany for Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, will present a program on the rich and varied flora of our state. She has carried out numerous surveys for endangered and threatened plants in eastern Pennsylvania in conjunction with the Pennsylvania Natural Diversity Inventory and recently completed a Natural Areas Inventory of Bucks County, PA. The program will be followed by an informal reception with light refreshments. Please check-in at the circulation desk in the McLean Library, which will remain open until the lecture begins. Fee: $19; PHS members $15.

Did you know the McLean Library houses our Pennsylvania Collection, a rare collection of books, periodicals, and seed and nursery catalogues that documents the history of horticulture in the Delaware Valley? This special collection includes rare imprints from the 18th- 20th centuries, and is used by researchers, students, landscape architects, and garden historians. Stop in the Library before this evening's lecture for a special peek at this treasure. ■

BEGONIAS AS HOUSEPLANTS: CULTURE AND CARE

Thursday, October 26, 10 - noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

In this introduction to begonia culture, Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Rob Christopher** will cover the basic types of begonias and their growing requirements. Rob will demonstrate how to propagate different types of begonias and offer helpful hints on rooting cuttings and growing healthy begonias indoors. Class will include a tour of Meadowbrook Farm's begonia and fern greenhouse. Program limit: 20. Fee: $15; PHS members $12. ■

LECTURE: SWEET TIME - TEN YEARS IN A GARDEN

Wednesday, November 1, 6:00pm
PHS Auditorium

In 1988, **Starr Ockenga** and her husband, **Donald Forst**, purchased a parcel of neglected land in upstate New York and began to construct their dream garden. Today, their cluster of barn-like buildings, including a teahouse and studio/greenhouse complex, is surrounded by gardens. The program will be followed by an informal reception with light refreshments. Please check-in at the circulation desk in the McLean Library, which will remain open until the lecture begins. Fee: $19; PHS members $15. ■

LECTURE: JAPANESE GARDENS

Wednesday, November 15, 6:00pm
PHS Auditorium

Brooklyn Botanic Garden has recently completed the renovation of its 85-year-old Japanese Garden. **Elizabeth Scholtz**, director emeritus of Brooklyn Botanic Garden, has made a study of this and other gardens in Japan. Her slide-illustrated lecture will trace the history of these gardens, and focus on the importance of rocks and water, as well as the reverence of nature implicit in the design of these gardens. The program will be followed by an informal reception and light refreshments. Please check-in at the circulation desk in the McLean Library, which will remain open until the lecture begins. Fee: $19; PHS members $15. ■

WORKSHOP: WREATHMAKING STYER'S STYLE

Saturday, November 18, 1 - 3pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries,
Concordville, PA

Learn how to create an extraordinary holiday wreath. **Cindi Kistler** and **Theresa Rowan**, of Styer's staff, will guide you through the basics of wreathmaking, and then you'll design your own 14 - 16" all-natural wreath. Choose from a variety of fresh greens, including western and blue atlas cedar, winterberry holly, seeded eucalyptus, and pepperberries. All materials will be provided. Please bring pruners and gloves, and dress for the weather. Fee: $50; PHS members $45. Program limit: 20. ■

HOLIDAY ARRANGING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, November 29, 10:00-noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Let your holiday floral arranging take an Asian-inspired turn. **Bernice Makin**, a master teacher in three schools of Ikebana, will demonstrate, and then guide you through creating a dynamic contemporary centerpiece using a minimum of fresh flowers and seasonal greenery. All materials and flowers will be provided; please bring clippers. Program limit: 20. Fee: $50; PHS members $45. ■

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS RESERVATIONS

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Fill out the reservation form and mail to: **PHS Activities, attn: Sally Kutyla, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495.** Please include full payment. **You may also register by fax 215-988-8810, or phone 215-988-8869 or 8775.** Fax or phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.
Confirmations will be mailed for all events, except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunch programs. Your confirmation letter will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events held away from PHS.
Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the waiting list for a program.
Refunds and cancellations: If you withdraw from an event, the following fees will apply if your request is received at least 5 days before the event: Bus trips $5; all other events $3. (No refund if less than 5 days.)

Tropicals in the Garden	9/6	Chanticleer Evening Walk	10/11
Fee $20	_____	Members only. Fee $15	_____
$15 Members	_____	BBL: Fall Tree Care	10/18
Harvest Show Workshop	9/11	Fee $5	_____
Free!	_____	Lecture: Pennsylvania Flora	10/25
Flower Arranging	9/20	Fee $19	_____
Fee $25	_____	$15 Members	_____
$20 Members	_____	Begonias	10/26
Twilight on the Canal	9/21	Fee $15	_____
Fee $15	_____	$12 Members	_____
Botanical Watercolor	9/21, 28	Lecture: Sweet Time	11/1
Fee $70	_____	Fee $19	_____
$60 Members	_____	$15 Members	_____
Beginning Ikenobo Moribana	9/26	Lecture: Japanese Gardens	11/15
Fee $55	_____	Fee $19	_____
$50 Members	_____	$15 Members	_____
Botanical Illustration 10/5, 12, 26, & 11/2, 9, 16		Workshop: Wreathmaking	11/18
Members only. Fee $180	_____	Fee $50	_____
Field Trip: Autumn Gardens	10/7	$45 Members	_____
Members only. Fee $70	_____	Workshop: Holiday Arranging	11/29
Guests $75 (limit one)	_____	Fee $50	_____
Pick up location:		$45 Members	_____
Center City or	_____	TOTAL: $	_____
Horticulture Center	_____	❒ Send me information on English Garden Trip	

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Guest: _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Member ID: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

Email: _____

Method of Payment: ❒ Check Enclosed ❒ Please charge my VISA ❒ or Mastercard

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Card Number _____ Expiration _____

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THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

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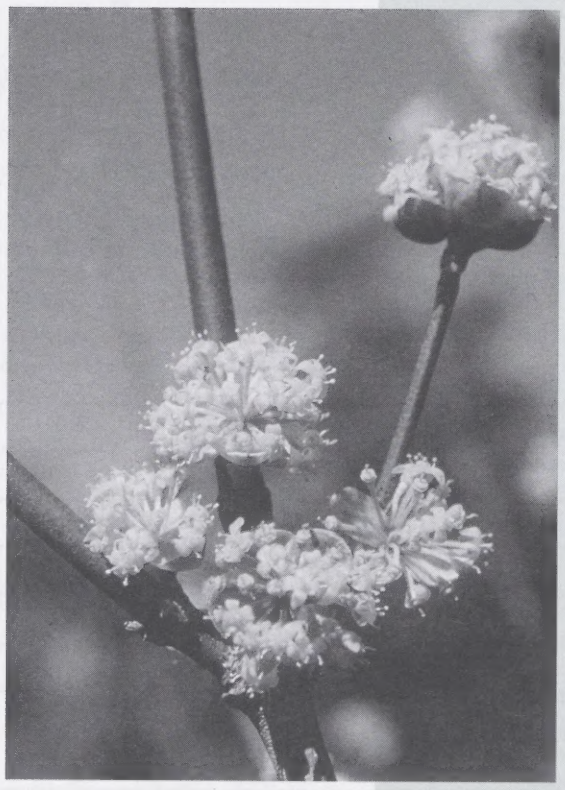
2001 GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARDS

By Sheila Gmeiner



Cornus mas 'Golden Glory' (Morris Arboretum)

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is proud to announce the winners of the 2001 Gold Medal Plant Awards. This award goes to superb, but often lesser-known woody plants that grow extremely well in our region.

Hydrangea arborescens **'Annabelle' (Smooth hydrangea)** is a native shrub hardy to Zones 4-9. Grown as a spreading, multi-stemmed shrub, it can reach 3 to 5 feet in height and width at maturity. 'Annabelle' is perfectly at home in the perennial border, naturalized garden, or for a foundation planting. The flowers bloom on new wood in mid-to-late June; its large flower clusters are initially light green and then turn white. 'Annabelle' can be seen and enjoyed locally at the Scott Arboretum, the Morris Arboretum, Chanticleer, Mt. Cuba, Winterthur, and Longwood Gardens.

Ilex opaca **(American holly)** can be used in either formal or informal types of landscaping. It is attractive as a single specimen evergreen tree or massed in a mixed border, hedge, or background. A pyramidal, broadleaf evergreen, *I. opaca* is native to the eastern United States and is hardy in Zones 5-9. A grand 30 to 50 feet high at maturity, its base could become 15 feet wide, thus providing a habitat for birds and other wildlife. The flowers are small and insignificant, but when fertilized produce a radiant fruit. These red fruits (1/8 to 1/4 inches in diameter) persist throughout the winter. Another attribute is its apparent resistance to deer in some areas. The foliage and fruit are also used extensively for winter holiday decorations.

Cornus mas **'Golden Glory' (Cornelian cherry dogwood)** is not your typical dogwood. 'Golden Glory' is a picturesque small-flowering deciduous tree and has reliable tri-season interest year after year. It can be grown as a large shrub, a small tree, or a multi-stemmed tree–whichever form fits your landscape. Growing at a medium rate, 'Golden Glory' can become 20 to 25 feet high and 15 feet wide at maturity. It flowers profusely and is more upright than the species.

The distinct fruit of 'Golden Glory' is edible but unfavorable to the human palate. However, it is a delicacy for birds and other wildlife. The oblong, bright-red fruits (5/8 by 1/2 inch) become noticeable in September. The exfoliating brown and gray bark is especially captivating at bloom time and provides striking winter appeal.

For source information on winning plants and a portrait sheet, send a SASE with $ 0.55 postage to: The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, Attn: Gold Medal Plant Awards, P.O. Box 7780-1839, Philadelphia, PA 19182-1642, or visit our website: *www.libertynet.org/phs*

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Special Issue:

VOLUNTEERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Dear Friends,

Welcome to this special "Thank You to our Volunteers" edition of *PHS News*. Here, we celebrate the legions of volunteers who help the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society achieve so much each year. From the Philadelphia Flower Show to the Harvest Show, our Philadelphia Green program, the Preview Dinner, our members' events, the Hotline and the City Gardens Contest, PHS truly runs on "people power." Indeed, you are the ones who help us reach new heights and achieve our mission to improve the quality of life in the region.

In this special issue, we single out those friends of PHS who gave so generously of their time, their wisdom, and their energy to the Society during the past 12 months. Also included are those who made gift donations in memory or in honor of a special friend this year. In addition to the names, you will also find photographs of members visiting, enjoying, and lending a hand at some of the many events we sponsored this year.

On behalf of the Council and the staff at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, thank you for all you have done for us this year and I very much hope our special partnership will continue for many happy years to come.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper

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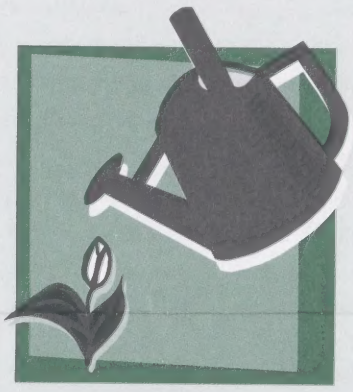
CALENDER OF EVENTS

NOVEMBER

14 Annual Meeting of Members, PHS Auditorium (20th & Arch Streets), 5 pm.

JANUARY

31 Flower Show Arrangement Workshop.
For more information, call Margo Bennett at (610) 649-6436 or Cheryl Barrett at (610) 688-3435



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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Thanking Special Friends

One of the questions the search committee asked me when I applied for the role of leading PHS more than 20 years ago was "how would you change the Society?" Given that I had recently joined the staff and loved everything about the organization, its staff, volunteers and mission, my mind went blank. Luckily, Hank Reichner, chair of the search committee, overlooked my monosyllabic answer, and so began a long and wonderful friendship.

For the first four years of my term at PHS, Hank was our volunteer president and we worked together on everything from finances to personnel issues, from the Flower Show to Philadelphia Green. With training as a landscape architect at the University of Pennsylvania, a career in the Marine Corps, and many years of public service in Philadelphia with the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and the Penjerdel Council, Hank had a wealth of skills for me to draw on. It took me a while to realize that Hank's crew cut and his sometimes curt style were just for show. Beneath the façade is a wonderful, caring, thoughtful person whose smile lit up many a meeting and who made his mark on PHS in so many ways.

Last fall, I received a visit from Bruce and Ralph Hooper, whose Elizabeth S. Hooper Foundation (founded by brothers Adrian, Ralph, Tom, and Bruce in memory of their mother) has been a patron of projects throughout the Philadelphia area. Following their visit, the Foundation made a generous donation to PHS to be used for our Philadelphia Green community greening projects and asked that this donation be made in honor of Hank Reichner. Nothing could bring me more pleasure, to honor a person who has done so much for me personally and also for PHS.

To Hank, we say thanks for your good advice; for the legacy you left by finding others to slip into your shoes as committee members and chairs; and for the pressure you put on us to figure out how to begin the restoration project for the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. We kept on saying it was too big to tackle; you kept on saying "go do it," and we did. The plantings look wonderful and you played a big part in getting that project off the ground.

To Adrian, Ralph, Tom, and Bruce Hooper, thank you for your generosity to PHS and for helping us to build gardens, plant trees, and help create beautiful settings in several Philadelphia neighborhoods this summer.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper

PHS TRIPS FOR 2001

The Society has planned a full schedule of fascinating tours for members and guests in early May through June, 2001. To receive your copy of any itinerary, please call the Membership Office, 215-988-8776 or 8832.

GARDENS OF PORTUGAL

May 2 – May 13

Twenty-five PHS members and guests will journey to Portugal for an exotic tour of three main areas–in and around Lisbon, Sintra, and the island of Madeira. We will visit private and public gardens and palaces (Queluz), see charming fishing villages and sophisticated cities, and enjoy the unique rich culture of the Portuguese.

In addition to gardens, we will visit not-to-be-missed cultural attractions like the world famous Gulbenkian Museum in Lisbon and see thousands of examples of *azulejos,* the Portuguese decorative tiles that cover walls, ceilings and floors throughout the country. This trip will appeal to people interested in gardens, architecture, photography, and indigenous decorative arts.

GARDENS OF THE UPPER HUDSON RIVER

June 4 – 6

PHS members and guests will travel by private motorcoach to the upper Hudson River. We'll visit private and public places near Hudson, NY and Frederick Church's Olana.

GARDENS OF SHROPSHIRE & OXFORD

June 20-21

With Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized several very successful trips for PHS in the past, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members and guests to some beautiful English gardens. Highlights include Powis Castle and Hodnet Hall in Shropshire, the Oxford Botanic Garden and many smaller gardens. Accommodations will be in first-class hotels in Oxford and London and near Shrewsbury.

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science are again co-sponsoring two 6-week courses. The courses, **Plant Pathology** and **Conservation of Rare Plants in the Philadelphia Region**, are free and open to the public. Both will be held at the PHS offices. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. To pre-register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23. Students will receive a syllabus with the reading list as part of their registration acknowledgment.

Course Descriptions:

Plant Pathology
Monday, January 22 – Monday, February 26, 2001, 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Dr. Karen Snetselaar, St. Joseph's University
This course will examine the history of plant pathology as well as address the fundamentals of how plant diseases are prevented, transmitted, and cured.

Conservation of Rare Plants in the Philadelphia Region
Monday, March 26 – Monday, April 30, 2001, 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler
This course will focus on the diversity of rare plants and where they grow in the Philadelphia region. We will discuss factors that are responsible for plants becoming rare and the kinds of management strategies that are needed to conserve them. The instructor, Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler, is affiliated with the Wagner Free Institute of Science, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Henry Foundation for Botanical Research.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO HELP RESTORE HEALING GARDENS OF FRIENDS HOSPITAL

On Saturday, November 11th, from 10 am to 2 pm, Friends Hospital will be holding "Gardening with Friends," the first annual fall cleanup of the Hospital's 100-acre campus.

The healing gardens, which feature 20,000 azaleas, 245 kinds of trees and 275 species of shrubs, have been a critical part of the Hospital's treatment since it opened its doors in 1813. Volunteers can help ensure that the grounds continue to be a beautiful, healing environment for patients and visitors. Adults and children are needed to participate in light gardening tasks such as raking, weeding, and mulching. Lunch will be included and Friends staff will be on hand to provide assistance.

Interested volunteers can call 215-831-7803 for more information or to sign up. In case of inclement weather, the event will be held November 12th from 10 am to 2 pm. Individuals interested in other ongoing garden restoration projects at Friends Hospital can call Mona Gold at 215-831-4682.

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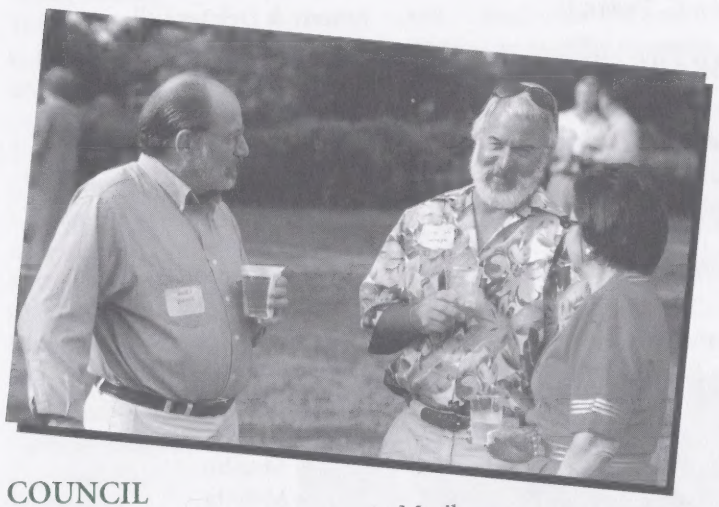

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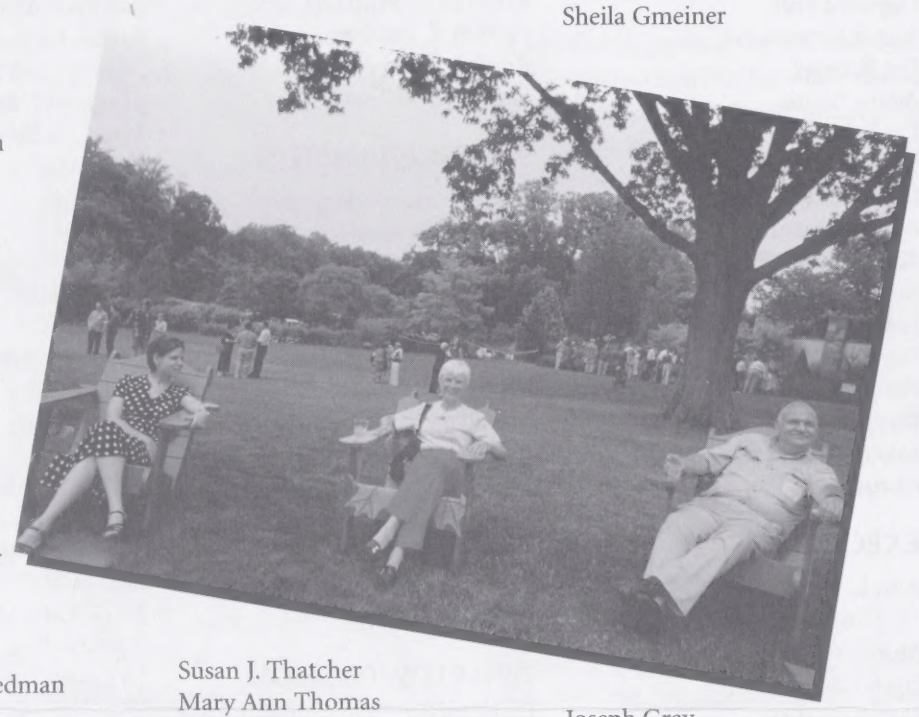

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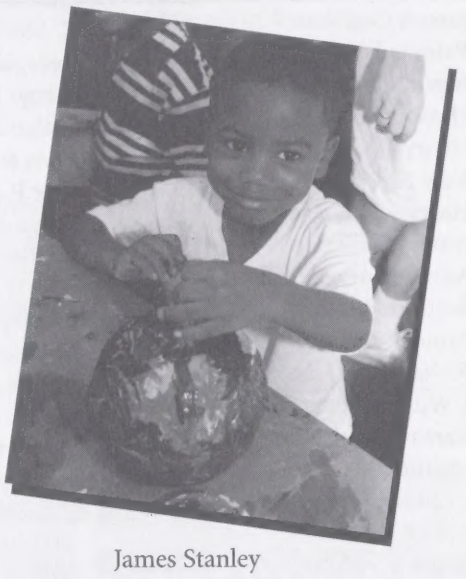

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

LECTURE: SWEET TIME - TEN YEARS IN A GARDEN

Wednesday, November 1, 6:00pm
PHS Auditorium

In 1988, **Starr Ockenga** and her husband, **Donald Forst**, purchased a parcel of neglected land in upstate New York and began to construct their dream garden. Today, their cluster of barn-like buildings, including a teahouse and studio/greenhouse complex, is surrounded by gardens. The program will be followed by an informal reception with light refreshments. Please check-in at the circulation desk in the McLean Library, which will remain open until the lecture begins. Fee: $19; PHS members $15. ■

LECTURE: JAPANESE GARDENS

Wednesday, November 15, 6:00pm
PHS Auditorium

Brooklyn Botanic Garden has recently completed the renovation of its 85-year-old Japanese Garden. **Elizabeth Scholtz**, director emeritus of Brooklyn Botanic Garden, has made a study of this and other gardens in Japan. Her slide-illustrated lecture will trace the history of these gardens, and focus on the importance of rocks and water, as well as the reverence of nature implicit in the design of these gardens. The program will be followed by an informal reception and light refreshments. Please check-in at the circulation desk in the McLean Library, which will remain open until the lecture begins. Fee: $19; PHS members $15. ■

WORKSHOP: WREATHMAKING STYER'S STYLE

Saturday, November 18, 1-3pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries,
Concordville, PA

Learn how to create an extraordinary holiday wreath. **Cindi Kistler** and **Theresa Rowan**, of Styer's staff, will guide you through the basics of wreathmaking, and then you'll design your own 14 - 16" all-natural wreath. Choose from a variety of fresh greens, including western and blue atlas cedar, winterberry holly, seeded eucalyptus, and pepperberries. All materials will be provided. Please bring pruners and gloves, and dress for the weather. Fee: $50; PHS members $45. Program limit: 20. ■

HOLIDAY ARRANGING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, November 29, 10:00-noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Let your holiday floral arranging take an Asian-inspired turn. **Bernice Makin**, a master teacher in three schools of Ikebana, will demonstrate, and then guide you through creating a dynamic contemporary centerpiece using a minimum of fresh flowers and seasonal greenery. All materials and flowers will be provided; please bring clippers. Program limit: 20. Fee: $50; PHS members $45. ■

HOLIDAY WREATH DEMONSTRATION

Saturday, December 2, 1:00-3:00pm
Smith & Hawken, Manayunk

Jazz up Your Holiday Wreath! Join us for a free wreathmaking demonstration. **Sally McCabe**, PHS Outreach Coordinator and Flossie Narducci, PHS Special Events Manager will show you how to combine fresh greens and ornaments from Smith & Hawken's holiday collection into garden-inspired wreaths, swags and decorations for your home. Program will be held in the Smith & Hawken store in Manayunk. Bring a friend, all are welcome, but please pre-register. ■

WORKSHOP: LIVING HOLIDAY CENTERPIECE

Wednesday, December 6, 10:00-noon
Meadowbrook Farm,
Meadowbrook, PA

Create a long-lasting centerpiece to enjoy throughout the holiday season. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate how to artfully combine blooming potted plants and greens in an informal tabletop arrangement. Nanci will also offer tips on caring for your plants and how to "dress up" your design for special occasions. Each class member will create an arrangement in a low wicker basket. All materials will be provided. Fee: $45; PHS members $40. ■

DEMONSTRATION: WINTER CONTAINERS

Saturday, December 9, 1:00-3:00pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries
Concordville, PA

What do you do with your windowbox when winter's on its way? **Cindi Kistler** and **Theres Rowan**, two of Styer's talented creators of container gardens, will demonstrate the basics of planting containers that can weather wintery blasts. Get great ideas for using fresh greens and seasonal plants to create festive hanging baskets, hayracks, and container gardens to spice up your winter garden. Please dress for the weather. Program limit: 40 Fee: $20. ■

BROWN BAG SERIES: THE WIRED GARDENER

Thursday, January 25, noon-1pm
PHS auditorium

Janet Evans, PHS Library Manager, returns to take gardeners on another spin on the worldwide web. Learn the ins and outs of searching the web with directories and search engines. Discover websites and databases loaded with practical information for gardeners: look up plant information; search gardening library catalogs; plan a garden tour for your next vacation. Janet is the mastermind behind PHS's monthly listserve newsletter, the WIREDGARDENER. She'll introduce you to this free gardening resource and show you how to subscribe. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5. ■

BROWN BAG SERIES: CAN THE RAINFOREST BE SAVED?

Wednesday, January 31, noon-1:00pm
PHS auditorium

Julie McIntyre will explore the tropical eco-systems of Borneo, the Amazon, and the Caribbean and discuss their relevance to us. What will the future look like if current trends continue unchecked? Contrary to what many believe, there are positive steps each of us can take to help save the rainforest. Learn what you can do–and what you shouldn't–to help ensure the preservation and vitality of these areas.

Julie McIntyre is a Chanticleer fellow. She is currently on leave of absence from the Denver Botanic Gardens, where she is curator of the tropical plant collection. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5. ■

Lecture: Sweet Time	11/1
Fee $19	_____
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Lecture: Japanese Gardens	11/15
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Workshop: Holiday Arranging	11/29
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Confirmations will be mailed for all events, except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunch programs. Your confirmation letter will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events held away from PHS.

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VOLUNTEER AT THE 2001 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from March 3-11, 2001. If you would like to help, please check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

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- ❑ **Runner:** Carry cards for corrections to and from typing table. Entry level job.
- ❑ **Recorder:** Log information for a plant's entry into the Show. Attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure required.
- ❑ **Infonet:** Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or work an information booth.

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Please return this coupon to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th St.-2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, by December 20, 2000, or call 215-911-8826, or email: *bgreene@pennhort.org.*
We will contact you with more information.

GARDEN VISITS....

PHS wishes to thank the generous garden owners who opened their gardens to PHS members during the spring of 2000. Many thanks to all the volunteers who make this program possible, especially our planners: Linda Corson, Barbara Juda, Carol McConomy, Mary Ann Thomas, and Garden Visits coordinator Anna Marie Amey.

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Dana and Thomas Beach
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GREAT GARDENERS OF THE WORLD

A Sneak Peek at the 2001 Philadelphia Flower Show

The art of garden design takes center stage at the 2001 Philadelphia Flower Show. This year's theme, "Great Gardeners of the World," offers visitors a trip through the ages to meet influential garden designers, experience some of the most beautiful gardens of the past and present, and envision the gardens of the future. By focusing on great design, this year's Flower Show promises to turn visitors into Great Gardeners of the World.

According to Show designer and director Ed Lindemann, the 2001 Flower Show addresses the fact that "most people come to the Flower Show not only to enjoy an early taste of spring, but primarily to learn more about gardening." The Show's Central Feature brings together some of the best examples of the traditional, the natural, the formal, and the ultra-modern in garden design.

Since the practice of garden architecture and design began with the ancient Egyptians, the Central Feature opens with *The First Great Gardeners of the World*, an interpretation of an Egyptian garden of 2000 years ago. Egyptian courtyard gardens were the first examples of ornamental gardening in recorded history. Visitors will be reminded how much the basic elements of symmetrical design, first developed by the Egyptians, still influence gardeners throughout the world. The traditionally designed garden will include plants that one might find in the land of the Pharaohs, such as incense, fig, carob, date, apple, and mandrake.

Our next stop is England, where Penelope Hobhouse, the legendary British garden designer and writer, mounts her first exhibit for the Philadelphia Flower Show. Hobhouse's display, *Bettiscombe Garden*, is a re-creation of her garden in Dorset. Responding to several years of unusually dry conditions, Hobhouse departed from the traditional English garden–with lush flower beds and sweeping green lawns–to create a more drought-tolerant, "Mediterranean style" garden. Her sophisticated design emphasizes a strong underlying structure that carries the garden through the winter months and provides long-lasting beauty for years to come. Hobhouse has been a major influence on the American garden for decades, and this will be a wonderful opportunity to see her work first-hand.

Bringing us back to the US, the Delaware Valley's own Chanticleer also makes its Flower Show debut this year with *America's Romantic Pleasure Garden*. Chanticleer's chief horticulturist and executive director Christopher Woods, known for his inventive plant combinations and visual artistry, creates a display that draws upon the theme of Chanticleer's newest attraction, a stone "ruin" that vanishes into fragrant woodland surroundings. Combining sculpture, sound, water, and scent, *America's Romantic Pleasure Garden* offers something to see at every turn–a feast for the imagination as well as the senses.

Finally, an important recent trend in gardening is highlighted with a modern pest-resistant and disease-free garden. *Improving Plant Health with IPM*, the fourth element of the Central Feature, demonstrates the scientifically based method of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), which enables the modern gardener to control pests with minimal harm to the environment. The exhibit will demonstrate cutting-edge design and maintenance techniques that the average gardener can apply at home. It will feature a model community where natural areas are preserved, native plants thrive, and wetlands provide a hospitable environment for both people and wildlife.

The Burke Brothers display at the 2000 Flower Show.

The 2001 Philadelphia Flower Show takes place March 4 - 11 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center (12th & Arch Streets). For more information, call (215) 988-8899 or visit *www.theflowershow.com* – *Jane Carroll*

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JANUARY / FEBRUARY

Flower Show Arrangement Workshops

Wednesday, January 31
Wednesday, February 7
Wednesday, February 14
Saturday, February 17
Wednesday, February 21

For details, call:
Margo Bennett at (610) 649-6436 or
Cheryl Barrett at (610) 688-3435

Workshop for First-time Flower Show Exhibitors

Saturday, February 3 at noon at PHS,
100 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia.
Please call Susie Wilmerding at (215) 988-8827 by February 1 to reserve a space.

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PEPPERPOT

Musical Chairs

We call them "the two Anns," though one has an *e* and the other doesn't. Recently the first–Ann Reed–retired after four years as Council chair of PHS, and the other–Anne Kellett–moved into this role. At PHS, our chair plays a vital role in guiding the Council in setting policy for the Society and serving as the organization's chief cheerleader in every facet of our work.

Anne Kellett (left) and Ann Reed at the PHS Annual Meeting in November.

My first contact with Ann Reed, outgoing chair, was in the mid '80s, when she joined a judging panel for the City Gardens Contest with her husband Frank, shortly after their move to Philadelphia. It wasn't long before Ann was exhibiting in the Philadelphia Flower Show and serving on the planning committee that eventually led to the creation of our Public Landscapes department. Over the years, Ann has extended her interest in the Philadelphia Green program into many of its activities. On a spring Saturday morning, you might find her in North Philadelphia helping a community group to build a garden. And on hot days in August, Ann has been seen all across Philadelphia, taking photographs for the City Gardens Contest Awards ceremony.

At the Flower Show, Ann has been involved in staging, photography, leading early morning tours, serving in the Shoppe and membership booths, and greeting special guests. Staff members and I are grateful for all the time Ann has spent, in her years as chair, participating in almost every committee. Ann has chaired our Council at an interesting time for the Society and I am indebted for the support she has given not only to the Society, but also to me personally.

Anne Kellett's active involvement with PHS started when she joined her garden club's Flower Show exhibit team, working on a window box or a garden, enjoying the camaraderie and sense of achievement. For two years, Anne served as chair of the Flower Show's Competitive Classes Committee, one of the most active jobs a volunteer can take on at PHS. In the years since she completed that assignment, she has co-chaired the Gardener's Studio, a role that involves assembling more than 150 speakers for Show week. Anne also played a pivotal part in initiating the Phlower Power Contest, which last year had more than 90 entries throughout the City of Philadelphia, and she has judged the City Gardens Contest for many years. In the fall, Anne chairs our Harvest Show window-display class. A big welcome to Anne as she becomes chair of the PHS Council.

Jane G. Pepper

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ALAN SLACK

When it comes to volunteering for PHS, Alan Slack has done it all. From serving on the Council to chairing the Flower Show Nomenclature Committee to answering questions on the Horticultural Hotline, Alan has been active at PHS for about 30 years. "He's a super volunteer for the organization," says president Jane Pepper, who notes that PHS awarded him and his late wife, Charlotte, a Certificate of Merit in 1994.

Alan's varied talents have been put to good use at PHS, especially in the Flower Show. Over the years, he has served on the Flower Show Executive and Competitive Classes Committees, and he is one of the dedicated volunteers who is in the trenches each day, helping to set up the exhibits and take care of any problems or last-minute details. One of his official roles is serving as the representative to all of the non-profit and educational organizations that participate in the Show each year. He's also a great cheerleader when the going gets rough. For example, when the Show was closed for two days by a snowstorm several years back, Alan, who is also a talented artist, helped to boost revenues by staging an impromptu sale of his paintings and putting the proceeds toward "snow relief."

Although he has no formal training in horticulture, Alan is extremely knowledgeable, particularly about "woodies" and conifers. He says he learned "through osmosis." "I'm a good listener," he adds, "and I've learned by doing." As chair of the Flower Show Nomenclature Committee, he helps make sure that every plant on exhibit is correctly identified. He also leads early morning tours and gives lectures on woody plants and propagation.

Alan has served on the PHS Council on and off since 1985 and was a member of the committee that searched for the Society's new headquarters in 1996. A longtime member of the Membership Committee, he helped plan the recent change in the annual Members' Plant Dividend, shifting it to Harvest Show weekend, which has greatly boosted participation in this event.

Together with Charlotte, who was also an active PHS volunteer, Alan has had a big impact on horticulture throughout the Delaware Valley, not just at PHS. He has been involved with the American Rock Garden Society, as well as the Scott Arboretum, the Tyler Arboretum, and the Mt. Cuba Center for the Study of Piedmont Flora.

Alan, who retired from Boeing in 1984, recently purchased a small property on the Chesapeake Bay, but he doesn't do any gardening there. It's "strictly an escape hatch," he says, "a place to relax and watch the waves." But he continues to come to Philadelphia once a week to staff the McLean Library's Horticultural Hotline. He invariably shows up in a jacket and tie and is especially patient and clear with callers, quickly getting to the heart of whatever question is being asked and giving out reliable information.

Many PHS staffers have come to rely upon Alan Slack. But Alan insists that PHS is just as important to him. "I owe more to PHS than PHS owes me," he says. "It's been a grand experience, and I've made a ton of super friends." – *Jane Carroll*

Afternoon Tea AT THE FLOWER SHOW

This popular event returns this year. Gracefully unwind as soothing music and opulent flowers surround you. Sample delicious crumpets and cakes, petit sandwiches and exotic international teas in an elegant setting. The Afternoon Tea at the Flower Show will be offered twice daily this year, from 12:30-2:00 pm and from 3:45-5:15 pm. The cost of Tea tickets is $26 per person. *Note: Flower Show admission is not included in the price of Afternoon Tea.* Reservations are required and seating is limited. To purchase tickets, please call Dora Rogers at (215) 988-8879 or reserve online at *www.theflowershow.com*

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AN EVENING WITH *Penelope Hobhouse*

A Flower Show event not to be missed! Join Penelope Hobhouse, world-renowned garden designer and author, on Monday evening, March 5, 2001 at 6:30 pm for a dinner, lecture, champagne dessert and book signing. Tickets are $75 each *(does not include Flower Show admission)*. Reservations are required; seating is limited. Please call Dora Rogers at (215) 988-8879.

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2001 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from March 3-11, 2001. Volunteers are needed for the Infonet. Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassadors, or work an information booth.
If you would like to help, please return this form to PHS.

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Address _____

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Please return this coupon to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th St.-2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, by January 22, 2001, or call (215) 988-8826, or e-mail: *bgreene@pennhort.org*. We will contact you with more information.

FUN STUFF FOR VOLUNTEERS AT THE 2001 FLOWER SHOW SHOPPE

Whistle while you work! If you love people and enjoy selling, we invite you to join other happy volunteers to work with Bernice A. Murphy, chair of Shoppe Volunteers; Rosemary McGeary, PHS merchandise manager; and Shani Risien-Harvey, merchandise assistant at the Flower Show Shoppe.

We need you for:

- ❒ Sales & Service
- ❒ Checking and Marking
- ❒ Shoppe Set-up
- ❒ Distribution & Stock Control
- ❒ Cashiers & Bagging

Orientation and training sessions will be held. Please check off your interest above and mail to Shani Risien-Harvey, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103; or call Shani at (215) 988-1613; fax (215) 988-8783; or e-mail: *srisien-harvey@pennhort.org* We look forward to seeing you!

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone (day) _____

HATS OFF TO CITY GARDENS CONTEST WINNERS FOR 2000

Each year, PHS sponsors the City Gardens Contest in cooperation with Penn State's Urban Gardening program. It is a fun, spirited competition that lets city residents show off their highly creative gardens. Listed below are last year's winners in the Individual categories, which included flower and vegetable gardens; ground-level, deck, and rooftop container gardens; senior citizens' gardens; and children's gardens. PHS thanks everyone who participated.

First Place Winners

Alfred Bilstein
Sophia Campbell
Wilma DeSoto
Jonathan Eells
Charlotte Elsner
Ivey Galitan
Charlie Heiser
Ruth Iglesias
Lawrence King
Brian Kirsch
Diane Kunze & John Neugebauer
John Lindsay
Toney Lucas
John Milko
Ellouise Newkirk
Richard Rutherford
John Smith
Betty Tinsley
Barbara Truman
Mark Valentine
Marva Washington
Dan Welker

Second Place Winners

Iris Brown
Brenda Clayburne
Annette M. Drust
Howard & Fred Edelstein
Leo Frontino
Leo Gealt
Zelma Gorham
Marie C. Holman
Harold Landsberg
Audrey Lisowski
Yasmeen MacIntosh
Dennis McGlade
Bianca Parker
Edward & Mable Parker
Lisa Marie Pasicznyk-Reed
George E. Price
Mr. & Mrs. David Rogers
Roberta B. Rumbles
Glenn Schwarz
Carmela Sedgwick & Joe Ferris
Gloria M. Smith
Carol Stoutenger
Vashti Thomas
Mr. & Mrs. John Unger
Mr. & Mrs. William Williams

Third Place Winners

Joseph F. Baker
Harold Carter, Jr.
Karen Daley
Charlie Dorsey
Thomas & Suzanne Duffy
Louis Gasper
Wayne & Eva Haber
Hubert Harrison
Robert Hoffman
Rosa Ivan
Amy L. Kitzen
Henry Lopez
James W. Matthews
Kate Maus
Chris McCloskey
Michael Nicodemus
Robert Obodzinsky
Maria Ramos
Alfred Rizzio
Ivan Rosa
Eva Sanders
Alida & Titus Schleyer
Jonathan Turner
Arleen Walker
Scott Williams
Forrest E. Wright, Sr.

Honorable Mention

Cathy Bagley
Ronessia Baker
Marilyn Barnes
Marta Cahill
Chet & Mamie Carmichael
Clara Clark
Michael DiBerardinis
Blanche Epps
Thomas C. Evans
Mary C. Green
Donna Hoult
Rose Lanza
Marianne Miller
Kevin O'Reilly
Mavis Robinson & Hezekiah
Mildred C. Papa
Virginia Sacha
Mary L. Silverstein
Hans & Elfriede Sonnenberg
James Turner
Ernestine Washington

AWARDS ANNOUNCED AT ANNUAL MEETING

Seated: Kate Loal, Nancy Greenwood, Judy Zuk
Standing: Elizabeth Farley, Bert Korman, Sallie Korman

At its Annual Meeting in November, PHS was proud to present the following awards to these special friends of the Society:

Distinguished Achievement Medal
Awarded to an individual from the Mid-Atlantic states who has made outstanding contributions to the field of horticulture in an area of particular interest to PHS.

Judy Zuk, president of the Brooklyn Botanic Garden, has deep roots in the Delaware Valley, where she studied for a master's degree at the University of Delaware and started a renaissance at Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College. Judy is a member of PHS's Gold Medal Plant Award Committee and has served as president of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta.

Certificates of Merit
Awarded for outstanding contributions to (or achievements in) horticulture or horticultural activities.

Elizabeth Farley, who has served on the Library Committee for 21 years, is also one of the Horticultural Hotline stars. For many years, she worked at the Barnes Foundation and volunteered with the Botany Department of the Academy of Natural Sciences. She also served on the board of Historic Bartram's Garden.

Nancy Greenwood has long been one of PHS's most energetic volunteers, as horticultural passer and early morning tour guide, and now as co-chair of the Horticulture Information Booth for the Flower Show. She also has been a PHS Hotliner, City Gardens Contest judge, and member of the Education Services and Members committees.

Sallie and Bert Korman are two quintessential PHS supporters whose endless enthusiasm for our mission and programs has inspired staff and volunteers alike. Sallie has served as a member of Council and chair of the Flower Show Preview Dinner. Sallie's and Bert's most enduring contribution to PHS has been their enthusiasm for our landscape restoration project at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Their unflagging support means the elegant landscaping and restoration will continue to grow and mature for years to come.

Kate Loal has given the gift of horticulture to thousands of city children. She taught at Huey Elementary School for 31 years, where she started an after-school gardening club to encourage "little sprouts" to enter PHS's Junior Flower Show. She also helped reclaim Malcolm X Park and founded the Malcolm X Park Patrol, comprised of Huey students. Kate is a member of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board and Junior Flower Show Committee, and has judged in City Gardens Contests. *– Betsie Blodgett*

WATCH YOUR MAILBOX FOR MEMBERS' 2001 FLOWER SHOW TICKETS

Your 2001 membership packet is due to arrive at your home later this month. The membership packet will include your 2001 Flower Show ticket(s) and Show information. **If you have not received your tickets by February 5, please call Linda Davis at (215) 988-8776.**

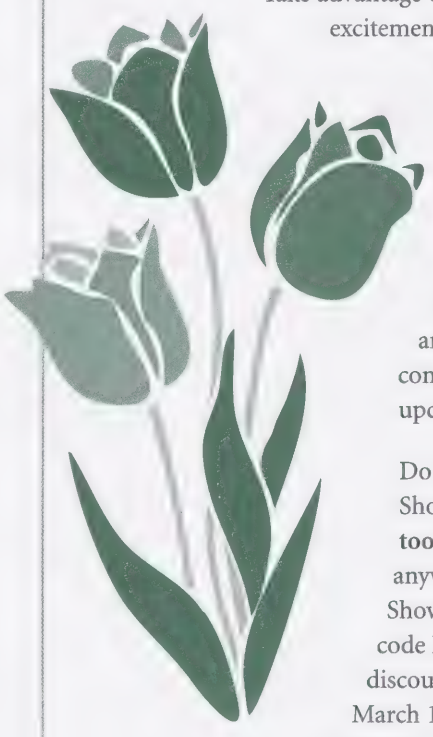
If your membership expires in December, January or February and you have not yet renewed, there is still time to ensure timely delivery of your ticket(s) for the 2001 Flower Show. You may renew your membership by fax (215-988-8810), by telephone (215-988-8876 or 8832), online at *www.libertynet.org/phs* using a credit card, or by mail (PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495).

See you at the Show!

2001 FLOWER SHOW WEEK

Deals, Discounts and Special Events!

The Philadelphia region really blossoms during Flower Show Week, with special events and discounts from restaurants and retailers for all Philadelphia Flower Show attendees. Local arts groups get into the act, too! To date, the Prince Theater, Philly Pops, and the Philadelphia Orchestra are all offering discounts for individuals and groups.



Take advantage of these special offers and participate in the excitement of Flower Show Week. You will find all the information in our Bloomin' Fun Pass brochure, which is available at PHS (100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia) in the Library on the first floor and at the Reception Desk on the 5th Floor. You can also pick up the Bloomin' Fun Pass at the Convention Center during the Show. All the discounts and special events are listed on our web site, *www.theflowershow.com* and can be printed in coupon form for your convenience. Be sure to check the website in the upcoming weeks for additional discounts.

Do you have guests coming to town for the Flower Show? **Discounts are available for rail and air travelers too.** Amtrak is offering a 10% discount on fares from anywhere in the USA to Philadelphia during Flower Show Week. Just call 1-800-USA-Rail, and ask for fare code X40P-970. US Airways is providing a 10-15% discount off airfares to Philadelphia from March 1-14. Call (877) 874-7687 to book tickets, and mention Gold File Number GF42641775.

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science are again co-sponsoring a 6-week course. **Conservation of Rare Plants in the Philadelphia Region** is free and open to the public. It will be held at the PHS offices. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Students will receive a syllabus with the reading list as part of their registration acknowledgment.
To pre-register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23.

Conservation of Rare Plants in the Philadelphia Region
Monday, March 26 – Monday, April 30, 2001, 7:00 p.m.
Instructor: Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler
This course will focus on the diversity of rare plants and where they grow in the Philadelphia region. We will discuss factors that are responsible for plants becoming rare and the kinds of management strategies that are needed to conserve them. The instructor, Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler, is affiliated with the Wagner Free Institute of Science, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Henry Foundation for Botanical Research.

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BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES: THE WIRED GARDENER

Thursday, January 25, noon-1:00 pm
PHS auditorium

Janet Evans, PHS Library Manager, returns to take gardeners on another spin on the worldwide web. Learn the ins and outs of searching the web with directories and search engines. Discover websites and databases loaded with practical information for gardeners: look up plant information; search gardening library catalogs; plan a garden tour for your next vacation. Janet is the mastermind behind PHS's monthly listserve newsletter, the WIREDGARDENER. She'll introduce you to this free gardening resource and show you how to subscribe. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5. ■

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES: CAN THE RAINFOREST BE SAVED?

Wednesday, January 31, noon-1:00 pm
PHS auditorium

Julie McIntyre will explore the tropical eco-systems of Borneo, the Amazon, and the Caribbean and discuss their relevance to us. What will the future look like if current trends continue unchecked? Contrary to what many believe, there are positive steps each of us can take to help save the rainforest. Learn what you can do–and what you shouldn't–to help ensure the preservation and vitality of these areas.

Julie McIntyre is a Chanticleer fellow. She is currently on leave of absence from the Denver Botanic Gardens, where she is curator of the tropical plant collection. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5. ■

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____

Guest: _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Member ID: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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❒ Send me information on Hudson River Trip
❒ Send me information on Shropshire & Oxford Trip
❒ Send me information on Pacific Northwest Trip

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS RESERVATIONS

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS Activities, attn: Kimberly Dmytro, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495. Please include full payment. You may also register by fax (215) 988-8810, or phone (215) 988-8869. Fax or phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events, except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunch programs. Your confirmation letter will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events held away from PHS.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the waiting list for a program.

Refunds and cancellations: If you withdraw from an event, the following fees will apply if your request is received at least 5 days before the event: Bus trips $5; all other events $3. (No refund if less than 5 days.)

PHS TRIPS FOR 2001

The Society has planned a full schedule of fascinating tours for members and guests in early May through June, 2001. To receive your copy of any itinerary, please call the Membership Office, (215) 988-8776 or 8832, or check the appropriate box on the reservation form on this page.

GARDENS OF PORTUGAL

May 2 – May 13

Twenty-five PHS members and guests will journey to Portugal for an exotic tour of three areas–in and around Lisbon, Sintra, and the island of Madeira. We will visit private and public gardens and palaces (Queluz), see charming fishing villages and sophisticated cities, and enjoy the unique rich culture of the Portuguese.

In addition to gardens, we will visit not-to-be-missed cultural attractions like the world famous Gulbenkian Museum in Lisbon and see thousands of examples of *azulejos,* the Portuguese decorative tiles.

GARDENS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

May 10 – 16

Working with Sara Mauritz, an avid Portland gardener who grew up in the Delaware Valley, Jane Pepper has put together a trip to the beautiful gardens of Portland, Bainbridge Island and Seattle. Spring will be at its height during this tour of small and large, public and private gardens.

GARDENS OF THE UPPER HUDSON RIVER

June 4 – 6

PHS members and guests will travel by private motorcoach to the upper Hudson River. We'll visit private and public places near Hudson, NY as well as Frederick Church's Olana.

GARDENS OF SHROPSHIRE & OXFORD

June 10 – 21

With Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized several very successful trips for PHS in the past, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members and guests to some beautiful English gardens. Highlights include Powis Castle and Hodnet Hall in Shropshire, the Oxford Botanic Garden and many smaller gardens. Accommodations will be in first-class hotels in Oxford and London and near Shrewsbury. ■

Sarah McEneaney,
Rain, *1996,*
Egg tempera on wood.

THE ART OF COMMUNITY GARDENING AT CITY HALL

Art in City Hall and PHS are pleased to announce "Community Gardens," a multi-media exhibition inspired by Philadelphia gardens. The exhibition, featuring works by thirteen artists, will be on view from **January 31 to April 20, 2001** on the 2nd and 4th floors of City Hall. There will be an opening reception on January 31 from 5:00-7:00 pm. For more information, call David Foss at (215) 683-2078.

PHILADELPHIA GREEN LAUNCHES VACANT LAND RECLAMATION PROJECT

Creating Neighborhood Assets

Since 1987, the amount of vacant land in Philadelphia has doubled, contributing to blight and threatening the quality of life in many neighborhoods. But in keeping with its 25-year history of turning vacant land into inviting green spaces, PHS's Philadelphia Green program is working with the Federal Empowerment Zone Program in a new effort to reclaim abandoned, trash-strewn lots in eastern North Philadelphia.

On Monday, October 30th, a spirited ribbon-cutting event was held at 5th and Berks Streets to celebrate the completion of Phase One of this urban vacant land reclamation project. This is a three-year effort to manage vacant land in the American Street corridor of West Kensington in North Philadelphia, one of three designated Empowerment Zones in the City. The Federal Empowerment Zone Program, established in 1994, provides funding to stimulate economic development in targeted urban and rural communities.

> "All we have to do is . . . get people involved and we can make these neighborhoods something very, very special."
>
> –Mayor John F. Street

Calling neighborhood transformation one of his administration's top priorities, Philadelphia Mayor John F. Street gave a rousing speech at the ceremony. "We're going to rebuild these neighborhoods," the Mayor declared. "All we have to do is harness the resources, get people involved, and we can make these neighborhoods something very, very special."

Working with the City of Philadelphia, the Philadelphia Empowerment Zone program, and local community based organizations, Philadelphia Green is providing overall management of this vacant land project as well as technical assistance and coordination. Four community groups–the Asociación de Puertorriqueños en Marcha, the Kensington South Neighborhood Advisory Council, the Norris Square Civic Association, and the Women's Community Revitalization Project–will manage ongoing maintenance of the reclaimed land.

Twenty-one vacant lots over four acres have been cleared of debris and planted with trees and shrubs in the first year alone. The pilot program is designed to serve as a model for neighborhood transformation efforts throughout the city. Bob Grossman, Philadelphia Green project manager, notes, "It is our hope that this effort is just the beginning of a much larger effort by the City to bring new life to many neighborhoods." *– Jane Carroll*

PHS will host a conference on vacant land on March 5 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. For details, please call Sonia Castro at (215) 988-8889.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

Flower Show Arrangement Workshops
Wednesday, February 7
Wednesday, February 14
Saturday, February 17
Wednesday, February 21

For details, call:
Margo Bennett at (610) 649-6436 or
Cheryl Barrett at (610) 688-3435

MARCH

Flower Show Members Preview
Saturday, March 3, noon – 3:30 pm

2001 Philadelphia Flower Show
March 4 – 11, Pennsylvania Convention Center

SPECIAL EVENTS AT THE 2001 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Each year, Philadelphia Flower Show visitors can choose from a wide range of special events during the Show. **All events are FREE with Show admission**. For the most up-to-date schedule information, please call (215) **988-8899**, check our web site, ***www.theflowershow.com*** or pick up a copy of the official Schedule of Events at the Show.

Make the most of your visit, plan ahead! Catch up on the latest gardening trends and techniques at **lectures and demonstrations** given by experts on a range of topics, including "Mrs. Greenthumbs" (Cassandra Danz) and *National Geographic* photographer Sam Abell, who will discuss his most recent book, *Seeing Gardens*. Lectures and demonstrations are held in rooms 201B & 201C on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall.

New to the Flower Show this year, the much-anticipated **AIFD Bridal Day** (by the American Institute of Floral Design) offers a spectacular series of lectures and demonstrations for the bride-to-be. Beautiful arrangements created by talented designers will be featured in hourly demonstrations on Monday, March 5, 11 am – 7 pm.

Once again this year, Show visitors are invited to stroll through the **American Gardener's Backyard**, where 10 companies will showcase some of the newest gardening gadgets, inventions and products, as well as show you how to get the most from your own backyard. Seek tree-tending advice from Bartlett Tree Experts or learn from Etera how to choose the best perennials for your garden. Visit these and other partners in the Grand Hall, open daily during all Show hours.

The **Gardener's Studio**, in two locations on the Main Show Floor, will feature local and national experts who will present interactive demonstrations daily from both sides of Hall B. The Gardener's Studio provides the opportunity to ask "on-the-spot" questions and get immediate, practical answers.

In addition, the **All-Star Culinary Presentations**, sponsored by *Food and Wine* magazine, include an exciting lineup of chefs offering tips and demonstrating expert kitchen techniques. Demonstrations will take place twice daily, at 11:30 am and again at 2:30 pm in room 204B on the concourse bridge leading to the Grand Hall. Local celebrities, including Terence Fuery of Striped Bass and Chris Scarduzio of Brasserie Perrier, will be on hand throughout the week to help you enjoy flavors as well as flowers.

Planning a trip to Philadelphia for the Show or have guests coming to town? For information on **hotel packages**, please call Accommodations Express at (800) 380-4683. For **special travel deals**, call Amtrak at 1-800-USA-Rail. For air travel discounts, call US Airways at (877) 874-7687. For local transportation information, see page 7 for SEPTA discounts, or call SEPTA at (215) 580-7800.

The **Official Show Program**, including the Show floor plan, will be available in *The Philadelphia Inquirer* on February 22 and in the *Philadelphia Daily News* on March 1. The Official Show Program will also be available at the Show.

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing hours are from 3 pm until closing.

Buy your tickets in advance and save! Tickets may be purchased in advance at a discounted price of $18.00. Tickets are available online at ***www.theflowershow.com*** or at participating PNC branches, ACME Markets, Smith & Hawken stores, AAA Mid-Atlantic offices, Clemens Markets, Philadelphia-area Barnes & Noble stores, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, local garden centers, nurseries and florists. **See you at the Show!**

– Elizabeth Anderson

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

Buy Flower Show tickets online at *www.theflowershow.com*

PEPPERPOT

A Special Gift

There are phone calls I choose to forget — and others that leave me with cherished memories. Among the latter was a call from Marion Whittingham, who phoned me six years ago to say she wanted to name the Society in her will. I had never met Marion before her call, but what a wonderful conversation it was. Her goal, she said, was to reach $500,000 in her mutual-fund investments and to leave this to PHS.

Marion made this gift in memory of her late husband, Wilfred, who had started his working life as a groundskeeper at a private school on the Main Line. The compensation wasn't great, and he later went into the electronics business with his brother. But he always longed for the outdoor life among plants that he had so enjoyed earlier in his career. On and off over the years after Marion first visited PHS, we talked about how we could best use her contribution. We decided that it would be placed in our endowment, with the income going year after year to support the entrance feature at the Flower Show.

This year, when you come into the Show, think of Marion and Wilfred when you walk through the entryway, titled "The First Great Gardeners of the World." In this exhibit, designer and director Ed Lindemann pays tribute to the Egyptians, who conquered the desert to build gardens in the valleys of the Euphrates. At first, they grew food crops with water from the Nile. As civilization progressed, they developed walled-in, decorative gardens, and it's these gardens you will find as you enter Flower Show 2001.

Marion's contribution has become an important part of the Society's endowment, which we continue to build so we can achieve our mission of *improving the quality of life and creating a sense of community through horticulture.*

If you, too, would like to consider naming the Society in your will, I hope you will give me a call so we can build on the generosity of Marion Whittingham and others who have made similar commitments to our success.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

KIDS GROW EXPO WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

Tuesday, February 13,
3:30 pm at PHS

The 2001 Kids Grow Expo (formerly called the Junior Flower Show) takes place May 9 – 10. This year's theme is "Poetrees & Lettuce Leaves." Don't miss this workshop for teachers, scout leaders, parents, and anyone else who works with children. We will distribute seeds for the "alphabet garden"— a display of kid-grown plants from asters to zinnias.

This workshop is for adults only; space is limited. To register, please call Kay Gramiak at (215) 988-8861.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: CHARLES ROGERS

For almost three decades, Charles "Chuck" Rogers has been a fixture at the Philadelphia Flower Show. He has designed and built 30 exhibits in 29 years (he admits to being "foolish enough" to once build two exhibits in one year). The 2001 Show, however, will be the last time that he participates as an official exhibitor. "It's time to hang up the shingle," he says.

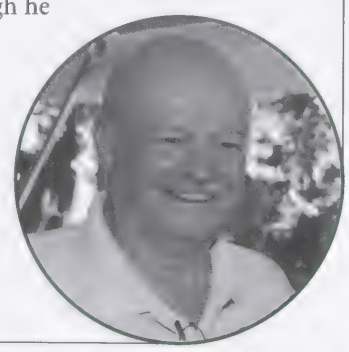
Chuck produced his first Flower Show exhibit in 1972 for the Philadelphia Zoo, where he served as the first curator of horticulture. "In the 1960s and '70s, when zoos moved toward a more naturalistic, 'habitat' model," he explains, "they needed more than just a man with a lawnmower." With Chuck on board, the Philadelphia Zoo led the way in making horticulture an integral part of zoo management around the world. Chuck founded the Association of Zoo Horticulturists to share information with others in the field. The organization started with 30 members and now has about 400 in 19 countries.

After leaving the Zoo, Chuck managed Meadowbrook Farm for four years (doing their Flower Show displays) before joining the staff of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), where he specializes in pesticide outreach. A strong advocate of Integrated Pest Management (IPM), he educates the public on how to use the smallest amount of pesticides possible, to follow safety instructions, and to dispose of chemicals properly.

"By the time you begin taking down the exhibit for one year ... you're already thinking about what to do for next year's Show."

Chuck works with a core group of eight EPA staff members who plan and build the exhibits. He has a 10-by-24-foot greenhouse in his back yard, where he forces more than half of the plants for the Show. (His colleague, Jeff Lapp, a wetlands expert, grows the water-loving plants.) A skilled carpenter, Chuck also builds all the structures for the displays. He enjoys the creative challenge of the Flower Show, as well as the friendships that develop among exhibitors over the years, but he adds that it is a lot of hard work. Nevertheless, he notes, "By the time you begin taking down the exhibit for one year ... you're already thinking about what to do for next year's Show."

Next year, however, Chuck looks forward to enjoying his retirement—although he doesn't plan on sitting around on his hands. A member of PHS since 1948, Chuck often serves as a judge for the City Gardens contest. "I was never one to walk away from my profession when I left the office," he notes. He comes from a family of gardeners and he keeps himself busy with a garden at home. Along with carpentry, he says, "I do it for my own amazement."



– Jane Carroll

SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS

In keeping with PHS's mission to create a sense of community through horticulture, organizers of the City Gardens contest reached out beyond Philadelphia's boundaries last fall to recognize outstanding beautification efforts by volunteers in suburban communities. PHS asked for nominations of public gardens and parks, "Main Street" plantings, train stations, traffic islands, and other public green spaces. Thirty nominations were received in those categories, as well as nominations for museums, churches, and commercial properties.

Eighteen sites received "community greening awards" along with plaques and signs for gardeners to display. Suburban gardeners expressed delight at receiving this "stamp of approval" from PHS, and more than 100 people attended the awards ceremony on October 1st. Volunteers included individuals and organized groups. Following is a list of the award-winning sites:

Ambler, PA, "Plant Ambler" program, Main Street Planters

Barnegat Light, NJ, Barnegat Light Public Museum

Bristol, PA, Bristol Borough Delaware Canal Lagoon Park

Collegeville, PA, Community Club of Collegeville, Collegeville Municipal Building

Collingswood, NJ, Main Street planters

Doylestown, PA, The James A. Michener Art Museum

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Riverton, NJ, Riverton Improvement Society, Main Street Planters

Strafford, PA, Traffic Triangles at Strafford, Deepdale Civic Association

Villanova, PA, Christ Church, Ithan

Wynnewood, PA, Station Road Park

Wyomissing Hills, PA, Wellington Boulevard Traffic Islands, Wyomissing Hills Area Garden Club

▼ The Reading Public Museum

▲ Main Street planters, Ambler

Near the Narberth train station ►

PHS TRIPS FOR 2001

The Society has planned a full schedule of fascinating tours for members and guests in early May through June, 2001. To receive your copy of any itinerary, please call the Membership Office, (215) 988-8776 or 8832.

GARDENS OF PORTUGAL

May 2 – 13

PHS members and guests will journey to Portugal for an exciting tour of three areas in exotic Portugal—in and around Lisbon, Sintra, and the island of Madeira. We'll visit private and public gardens and palaces (Queluz), see charming fishing villages and sophisticated cities, and enjoy the rich culture and architecture of the Portuguese.

In addition to gardens, we will see cultural attractions like the world-famous Gulbenkian Museum in Lisbon and thousands of examples of *azuelos*, Portuguese decorative tiles. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours, will accompany the group; English-speaking landscape designers who live in Portugal will be our guides.

GARDENS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

May 10 – 16

Working with Sara Mauritz, an avid Portland gardener who grew up in the Delaware Valley, Jane Pepper has put together a trip to the beautiful gardens of Portland, Bainbridge Island and Seattle. Spring will be at its height during this tour of small and large, public and private gardens.

GARDENS OF THE UPPER HUDSON

June 4 – 7 (Please note date correction)

Join us for a four-day trip by chartered bus to the picturesque Hudson Valley, the charming area between the Catskills and the Berkshires. We'll visit Starr Ockenga's hilltop garden with sweeping views of both mountain ranges, along with other private and public gardens. We'll also stop at a local nursery—and there will be enough bus storage to carry your plant treasures home.

Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group. Bus pick-up points will be determined when the registration list is complete. We'll stay in Hudson, NY, a central spot for our wanderings throughout the region.

GARDENS OF SHROPSHIRE & OXFORD

June 10 – 21

With Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized several very successful trips for PHS in the past, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members and guests to some beautiful English gardens. Highlights include Powis Castle and Hodnet Hall in Shropshire, the Oxford Botanic Garden and many smaller gardens. Accommodations will be in first-class hotels near Shrewsbury and in Oxford and London.

2001 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW MAJOR EXHIBITORS

Major Exhibitor Competitive Categories

The symbol next to the exhibitor's name indicates the category in which they will be competing at the 2001 Philadelphia Flower Show.

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Janet Bayer
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Jackie Bolognese
Eileen Kreb
Marge Fletcher

"Climatically Compatible"
Jenny Carey

Four Counties Garden Club
Ann Marshall
Julie Sadtler

Liz Garnett and Sallie Anderson

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Molly Cyphers
Cassie Snyder

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Eileen Riddell
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Eve Allison
Michelle Major

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Louise Carter

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Joan Yulduzian

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Maudelin Alston
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Cathy Olsen
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Garden Entrants

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John Rice
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Patricia Hojnowski

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GOLD MEDAL PLANTS TAKE THE STAGE AT THE FLOWER SHOW

If you attended last year's Philadelphia Flower Show, you enjoyed the first-ever exhibit by the Society's Gold Medal Plant Award program, which recognizes outstanding woody plants—including trees, shrubs, groundcovers, and vines—that thrive in zones 5 – 7. Last year's display got great reviews, and Gold Medal plants will be back in 2001 in a new exhibit created by PHS staff and volunteers.

Joe Ziccardi, coordinator of the Gold Medal program at PHS, will design the exhibit, re-using the modular containers created last year. According to Joe, the exhibit is designed to be aesthetically pleasing as well as educational and informative. "We try to maintain a balance between large and small, deciduous plants and evergreens, flowering plants, groundcovers, and vines," he says. "For added color, we'll also include flowering perennials and annuals. A few pergolas will bring height and unity."

Because most woody plants are difficult to force, the selection of plants for the exhibit depends in part upon what can be successfully grown in time for the Show. Two of the three Gold Medal Award winners for 2001 will be represented: *Hydrangea arborescens* 'Annabelle' (smooth hydrandea) and *Ilex opaca* (American holly). The third, *Cornus mas* 'Golden Glory' (Cornelian cherry dogwood), "is just too difficult to force into leaf at this time of year," Joe explains.

As in every aspect of the Flower Show, the Gold Medal exhibit could not happen without the help of many dedicated volunteers. Chuck Feld of Birmingham Gardens collects the plants, which are produced by local nurseries and growers as a donation to PHS. Steve Mostardi of Mostardi's Nursery forces the flowering perennials and annuals. And volunteers from the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association will staff the exhibit.

"The best thing about the Gold Medal program," Joe notes, "is that the customer can walk into a nursery with a list of plants in his or her hand, and know that they're buying something picked by our experts to thrive in the Delaware Valley. For the gardener, finding great woody plants is especially important, because they create the 'bones' of your garden—the underlying structure around which you'll put perennial and annual flowers. As you'll see in our Flower Show exhibit, it's the key to a great garden."

– Jane Carroll

Pete Prown

▲ **Joe Ziccardi, PHS Gold Medal coordinator, standing in front of the winterberry holly, *Ilex verticillata* 'Winter Red'**

PHS thanks the following Pennsylvania growers who provide plants for the Gold Medal Exhibit.

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- Waterloo Gardens, Exton

The annual Gold Medal display at the Philadelphia Flower Show is part of PHS's new campaign to promote public awareness of Gold Medal plants. Participating retail nurseries receive signage, information sheets, and plant tags to help buyers identify Gold Medal plants. Arboretums, schools, parks, and public gardens also receive educational materials for distribution. For a complete list of Gold Medal plants and sources, please visit the PHS website at *www.libertynet.org/phs*

MEMBERSHIP TIPS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW

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The Members Lounge at the Flower Show

In addition to the beautiful floral displays on the Show floor, there are many amenities for PHS members to enhance their visit to the Philadelphia Flower Show.

The Members Lounge will be open every day from March 4 – 11. This is the place to relax, enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee or tea, and become re-energized for another turn around the Show floor. Members Lounge hours are from 10 am to 4 pm on Sundays, and from 10 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday. [*Note: The Lounge will not be open during the Preview on Saturday, March 3.*]

Have Your Received Your Show Tickets?

Members' tickets were mailed the last week of January. If you do not receive your tickets during the first week of February, please call the Membership Office as soon as possible (215) 988-8776 or 8832. When your tickets arrive, place them in a secure place where you'll be sure to find them at Show time. PHS cannot be responsible for misplaced tickets.

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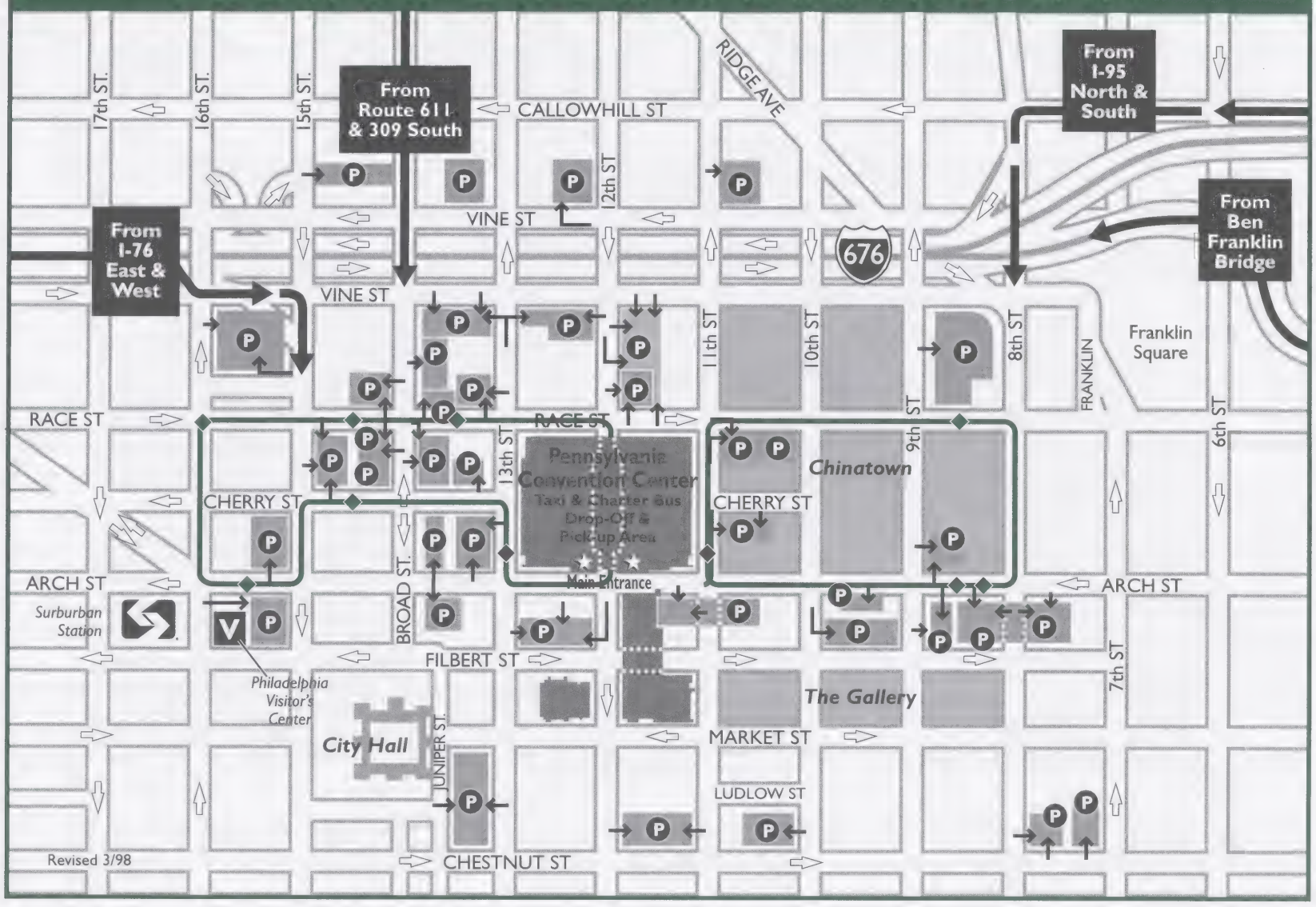

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WHAT'S BLOOMING THIS SPRING AT PHS

The 2001 Philadelphia Flower Show is here, and, as usual, the entire staff of PHS answers the call for "all hands on deck." You'll see all of us at the Show, wearing a variety of hats. But the Flower Show is not the only thing blooming at PHS in March. With the approach of a new growing season, spring is a busy time all across the Society, both behind the scenes and out in Philadelphia's neighborhoods and surrounding communities.

PHS members listen to a guide during a special trip to New England gardens, Spring 2000.

Activities and Events

If you want to get out into the garden as soon as possible, we have an exciting new season of **lectures and events** to help get you started, thanks to Chela Kleiber, who joined the staff in January as program activities manager.

For example, beginning this month, artist Louisa Rawle Tiné will again offer botanical illustration workshops, and in April, PHS will launch a new **International Series** of lectures by horticulturists from around the world. The 2001 **Spring Garden Visits** are also in the works; they take place in May and June. Please see page 5 for details on upcoming activities.

It wouldn't be spring without the annual **Azalea Garden Party**. Mark your calendars for this year's celebration on Thursday evening, May 17, from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. This annual event is fun for families and raises crucial maintenance funds that keep the garden beautiful throughout the year. For more information, please call Ellen Wheeler at (215) 988-8830 or e-mail her at *ewheeler@pennhort.org*

Philadelphia Green

Where do Flower Show revenues go? They go right back into Philadelphia's neighborhoods, providing the initial funding base for Philadelphia Green, the nation's largest urban-greening program. Philly Green goes into high gear in springtime, helping residents create **community gardens** across the city. Spring brings major improvement projects in the "Keystone Gardens"—a group of Philadelphia's longest-running gardens. "At Liberty Lands in the Northern Liberties neighborhood, we're starting the second installation of youth playground equipment," says project manager Eileen Gallagher, "and at the Sun Circle Garden at 17th and Westmoreland Streets, we're putting the finishing touches on a new arbor constructed in October."

With the warmer weather comes a new schedule of **education and training** programs. The "Tree Tenders" program offers workshops for those who care for street trees, and the "Garden Tenders Basic Training" will resume, teaching fledgling city gardeners how to plan, plant, and sustain community gardens.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MARCH

Flower Show Members Preview
Saturday, March 3, noon – 3:30 pm

2001 Philadelphia Flower Show
March 4 – 11
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Sundays: 8 am – 6 pm
Monday – Friday: 10 am – 9:30 pm
Saturday: 8 am – 9:30 pm

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Running on People Power

There's nothing quite like our Flower Show volunteer corps. Not only is it large (3,500 and counting), but the range of talent among this group is truly amazing. To say we couldn't run the Show without these terrific volunteers is an understatement. Without their skills as planners, judges, cash-register operators, tour guides, greeters, nomenclature specialists, floral designers, stagers, speakers and cheerleaders, the Show would be a mere shadow of its wonderful self.

Besides talent, Flower Show volunteers have other excellent attributes. They are always "up" and enthusiastic and serve as the best ambassadors for PHS. And each one is always willing to take on a new challenge, working hand in hand with staff to develop new ways to make our operations run more smoothly for exhibitors and visitors.

To you all, dear volunteers, many and grateful thanks for everything you have done and for all you will do to make Flower Show 2001 successful.

To two wonderful volunteers, special thanks and congratulations. Midge Ingersoll and Bill Mills will, at the close of this Show, complete their terms as chairs of the Competitive Classes and Flower Show Executive Committee, respectively. Midge has led a committee of more than 100 in producing two years of outstanding exhibits, for which we are most grateful. To Bill, we extend thanks for the great job he has done and also for bringing his wife Jackie to join us as one of our outstanding volunteers. And to Bill we say congratulations. In December, he was appointed President and CEO of The PNC Financial Services Group, Philadelphia and New Jersey. This year, PNC joins the Flower Show family as Presenting Sponsor for the 10th consecutive year.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

FAREWELL TO A GOOD FRIEND

PHS lost a good friend and wonderful supporter when Pamela C. Copeland, aged 94, died in late January. For more than two decades, Mrs. Copeland guided a team from Mount Cuba exhibiting in the Philadelphia Flower Show, as a major exhibitor in the '80s and, later, with many blue-ribbon plants in the Competitive Classes.

Pam loved to visit us during Flower Show set-up and continuously supported the rebuilding of the staging for the Competitive Classes, providing contributions that helped us replace some of the wooden pieces that dated from the 1930s. In 1991 PHS presented Pam with its Distinguished Achievement Award in recognition of her horticultural achievements, not the least of which was the establishment of the Mount Cuba Center for the Study of Piedmont Flora, a valuable resource for all gardeners and especially for gardeners in our region.

– Jane G. Pepper

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: MARC ZAHARCHUK

When asked how he first became involved with PHS, Marc Zaharchuk replied, "That's easy—they asked me." A native of Philadelphia's Fairmount neighborhood, Marc spotted a notice in a community newspaper asking for volunteers to help take care of the recently restored Azalea Garden near the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Over the years, Marc became "a very special volunteer," says PHS Public Landscapes manager Kathryn Newland. "He keeps an eye on things and has often worked in the garden on his own in addition to showing up for almost every scheduled workday." Marc served as chair of the Friends of the Azalea Garden for many years.

Lacking prior experience in horticulture, Marc attended PHS training classes on basic plant care—everything from watering to pruning to dividing perennials. After that, he was hooked. He discovered that gardening offered a way to restore a personal connection to nature, something that is often hard to come by in the city.

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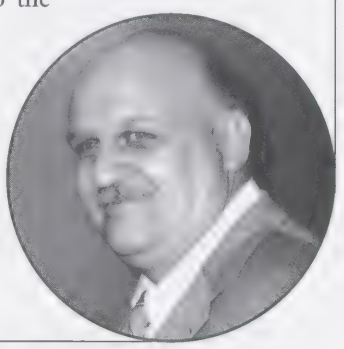
After his first big job in the Azalea Garden—planting daffodil bulbs—it wasn't long before Marc got involved in other PHS activities. He started helping out with beautification efforts at Eastern State Penitentiary and City Hall, as well as the Art Museum landscape restoration project. He served on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board for six years and completed two three-year terms on the PHS Council. Along the way, he picked up training in Integrated Pest Management and composting. Marc also helps out with the Philadelphia Flower Show as one of the "roving ambassadors," who walk around the Show floor answering questions and directing visitors.

In 1997, Marc left his longtime Philadelphia neighborhood for upper Bucks County. "Many of my Fairmount neighbors had come to the city from rural areas and had an instinctive sense about gardening, but for me, it was the opposite," he observes. "I knew that, some day, I might want to live where I had more space. I got the landscaping experience in the city and took it with me to the suburbs."



True to the spirit of volunteering, Marc has gotten involved with beautification efforts near his new home, serving on the Board of Directors of the Friends of the Delaware Canal. But he remains active with PHS and the Azalea Garden. "Caring for landscapes," he says, "is an integral part of life."

– Jane Carroll

WHAT'S BLOOMING THIS SPRING AT PHS (CONT'D)

This is also a busy season for **community revitalization** efforts. For example, Philadelphia Green will work with residents of Lebanon Street in Overbrook, where neighborhood volunteers are creating a "green oasis" along the center of the street. Debbie Hall, manager of the Target Neighborhoods team, says she'll begin working with two North Philadelphia community development corporations, the Asociación de Puertorriquenos en Marcha (APM) and the Frankford Group Ministry, to establish neighborhood garden clubs. "The clubs will become a great community resource, holding their own plant sales, workshops, and events," she explains.

Philadelphia Green project coordinator Keith Green leads a perennials workshop at the Children's Garden, 6th & Diamond Streets.

Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project helps bring new life to long-neglected **neighborhood parks**. Our Parks team "continues its work in partnership with the City's Department of Recreation and park volunteer groups," says program manager Bill LeFevre. This groundbreaking initiative has also attracted the attention of other urban communities. On March 30th, Philadelphia Green Program Manager Joan Reilly, Department of Recreation staff members Joe Stephany and Tyronne Foster, and Carroll Park volunteer Doris Gwaltney will travel to Cleveland to present a workshop called "It Takes Three: Lessons in Collaboration." They're going at the invitation of Park Works, a Cleveland-based parks revitalization program.

The new **vacant land** reclamation program (profiled in January's *PHS News*) begins its second year working in the American Street Empowerment Zone in North Philadelphia—cleaning and greening four additional acres. On March 5th, Philadelphia Green and the City of Philadelphia will host a **Vacant Land Conference** at the Pennsylvania Convention Center.

Finally, Philadelphia Green is also active in restoring and maintaining **public green spaces and city gateways**, such as the Azalea Garden and JFK Boulevard near 30th Street Station. And at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, where Philadelphia Green is managing the restoration of the grounds, the Garden Club of Philadelphia has become a volunteer partner. If you would like to help out, please call Joan Kapczynksi at (215) 988-8865 or e-mail to *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

Daffodils blooming along JFK Boulevard, a recent PG project.

Gold Medal Plant Awards

The staff of PHS's **Gold Medal Plant Awards program** will be busy too. Beginning in January, coordinator Joe Ziccardi and members of the Gold Medal Plant Award Committee began looking at nominations for 2002 Gold Medal Plants. "Between now and summer," Joe says, "we'll be gathering information and evaluating the merits of the plants." Joe speaks about Gold Medal plants at various garden centers and he'll continue to fine-tune the retail promotional display program.

McLean Library

Back at PHS headquarters on 20th & Arch Streets, the McLean Library will offer Internet training workshops for garden clubs and plant societies. For details, please call the library at (215) 988-8772. New books are added to the library's collections all year long, too. Some intriguing new arrivals include *The Chinese Tree Peony, The Garden Conservancy's Open Days Directory, Inside City Parks* by Peter Harnik, and *A Rum Affair: A True Story of Botanical Fraud* by Karl Sabbagh.

PHS Publications

Speaking of a good read, the April issue of ***Green Scene***, PHS's color gardening magazine, includes a story on the City Gardens Contest, an exploration of kitchen gardens, tips on taking better garden photographs, and lots of other horticultural news. *Green Scene* editor Pete Prown says the special June issue will focus on a single theme—adding height to the garden. If you are an associate member and don't currently receive *Green Scene*, please consider upgrading your membership; just call the Membership office at (215) 988-8776.

Another useful PHS publication, **"Urban Impact,"** is a periodic newsletter on Philadelphia Green's current initiatives—aimed at those working to improve the quality of life in Philadelphia. For a free copy, please call Angela Holman at (215) 988-8771. Back issues are also available on the **PHS web site**, *www.libertynet.org/phs.*

Our web site, too, is showing signs of spring—it's being revamped to make it more informative, up-to-date, and user-friendly. The new look will blossom in the coming months. Keep checking for updates. And have a great spring!

– Jane Carroll

PHS TRIPS FOR 2001

The Society has planned a full schedule of fascinating tours for members and guests in early May through June, 2001. To receive a copy of any itinerary, please call Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or e-mail to: *bgullan@pennhort.org*

GARDENS OF PORTUGAL

May 2 – 13

PHS members and guests will journey to Portugal for an exciting tour of three areas in exotic Portugal—in and around Lisbon, Sintra, and the island of Madeira. We'll visit private and public gardens and palaces (Queluz), see charming fishing villages and sophisticated cities, and enjoy the rich culture and architecture of the Portuguese.

In addition to gardens, we will see cultural attractions like the world-famous Gulbenkian Museum in Lisbon and thousands of examples of *azuelos*, Portuguese decorative tiles. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours, will accompany the group; English-speaking landscape designers who live in Portugal will be our guides.

GARDENS OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

May 10 – 16

Working with Sara Mauritz, an avid Portland gardener who grew up in the Delaware Valley, Jane Pepper has put together a trip to the beautiful gardens of Portland, Bainbridge Island and Seattle. Spring will be at its height during this tour of small and large, public and private gardens.

GARDENS OF THE UPPER HUDSON

June 4 – 7

Join us for a four-day trip by chartered bus to the picturesque Hudson Valley, the charming area between the Catskills and the Berkshires. We'll visit Starr Ockenga's hilltop garden with sweeping views of both mountain ranges, along with other private and public gardens. We'll also stop at a local nursery—and there will be enough bus storage to carry your plant treasures home.

Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group. Bus pick-up points will be determined when the registration list is complete. We'll stay in Hudson, NY, a central spot for our wanderings throughout the region.

GARDENS OF SHROPSHIRE & OXFORD

June 10 – 21

With Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized several very successful trips for PHS in the past, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members and guests to some beautiful English gardens. Highlights include Powis Castle and Hodnet Hall in Shropshire, the Oxford Botanic Garden and many smaller gardens. Accommodations will be in first-class hotels near Shrewsbury and in Oxford and London.

A NEW LOOK FOR SOUTHWARK

Using Garden Courtyards to Connect City Residents

Last summer, a new landscape began to take shape at the Courtyard Apartments at Riverview, on the site of the former Southwark Homes public-housing complex in South Philadelphia. Two of three high-rise towers were imploded and replaced with townhouse-style apartments. The third tower was refurbished and now provides low-cost housing for senior citizens. Bounded by Christian & Washington and 3rd & 5th Streets, the new development is the result of a public-private partnership coordinated by the Local Initiatives Support Corporation (LISC).

A newly planted evergreen and shrub border along Christian Street.

At LISC's invitation, Philadelphia Green (PG) served as a consultant on the project. PG staff oversaw the bidding and construction phases, sought input from residents, and managed the landscape architecture firm, Margie Ruddick Landscape, which designed green spaces for the new development. The recently completed landscape creates a continuous "stream" of greenery that connects Riverview's seven courtyards with the parking areas and the townhouses.

Each courtyard has a distinct character. For example, one has a grove of cherry trees surrounded by upright yews and shrub roses, while another is planted with junipers, willows, and ornamental grasses. PG project coordinator Julie Snell, who supervised the work, points out that "the landscape architects intentionally chose a lot of multi-branching trees and flowering shrubs, which makes for a lush landscape all year round. Some of the plants, like witch hazel, bloom right through the winter months."

Thirty-two barrel planters were also installed on several blocks of the development, giving Riverview residents the opportunity to get actively involved. Colorful annuals such as coleus, lantana, verbena, and sweet potato vine were planted during the summer. In November, those plants were replaced with hollies and Alberta spruces for winter greenery. The residents, many of whom had little or no horticultural experience, quickly took on watering and other day-to-day maintenance tasks after receiving training from Philadelphia Green staff. Mark Teller, PG program manager, says the residents will be invited to the Spring Plant Sale and will take part in workshops on how to rejuvenate their planters for the next growing season. Teller thinks this kind of long-term partnership will be very successful. "We had a lot of fun with the residents," he says. "Once they saw what could be done, there was a lot of interest and participation."

The new landscape also connects the apartments to the surrounding neighborhood. "There is a lovely historic church on 4th Street—the Emmanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church," Snell says. "Flowering magnolias and hydrangeas are going in next to the church to visually blend the courtyards with the church yard, extending both spaces." Care was also taken to preserve sight lines across Christian Street, allowing for a nice view of an existing community garden.

Nancy O'Donnell, PG project manager, believes the project is especially noteworthy for the diversity of the plantings. "The landscape designers chose an exceptionally rich variety of plants, in contrast to the stark look of older public-housing sites," she observes. "Riverview really represents a new way of thinking about this kind of urban development. The emphasis on horticultural design is unusual—not only for an urban housing development, but for any housing development anywhere."

– Jane Carroll

Planting thornless honey locust trees in the parking court off 3rd Street.

NEW DELHI GREEN?

Philadelphia Green Goes International

This winter, PHS executive vice president Blaine Bonham spent a few weeks traveling around India. While in New Delhi, Blaine gave a talk and slide presentation on Philadelphia Green's 27-year history of community greening programs in Philadelphia. About 40 practicing landscape architects, design professionals, and representatives of environmental and other nonprofit organizations attended the lecture in New Delhi's Habitat Centre, which houses the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage. Since New Delhi's city parks are suffering from the effects of overcrowding and inadequate funding for maintenance and upkeep, attendees were especially interested in Philadelphia Green's efforts to revitalize neighborhood open spaces and parks.

Lodi Gardens in New Dehli.

ELSEWHERE ...

- **Delaware County Master Gardeners 5th Annual Home Gardeners' School:** Saturday, March 31, 2001, 8:00 am – 3:30 pm at Pennsylvania State University's Delaware County campus, Route 352, just north of Granite Run Mall.

  This year's topics are: Landscape Design, Flowering Shrubs, Hot Annuals/Cool Containers, The Fall Garden, and Gardening All Year with Bulbs. There will be books and plants for sale as well as Penn State Cooperative Extension literature and soil test kits. The cost of $35 includes five presentations, morning refreshments, lunch, all conference materials and a door-prize ticket. For more information, please call the Extension Office at (610) 690-2655.

- **The Nature Conservancy** has a new Speaker's Bureau. If your group would like to learn about the Conservancy's conservation efforts, you can arrange a lecture and slide presentation including images of pristine wild places all over the world. For information, call Lynn Carroll at (610) 834-1323, ext. 122.

- The **Philadelphia Botanical Club's** monthly meetings are held at the Academy of Natural Sciences. For a schedule, visit their new web site: *www.acnatsci.org/biodiv/botany/club.html*

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES:

TREE PLANTING PROBLEMS LECTURE AND SLIDE SHOW

Wednesday, March 14th, 12:00 noon; second lecture at 6:30 pm
PHS Auditorium

The success or failure of a tree is often determined at the time it is planted. Learn the basic steps to picking a healthy tree from the nursery, planting the right tree in the right spot, and identifying signs of stress before they become life-threatening problems. The instructor, **Alan Jones**, has been an arborist for 23 years. He is certified by the International Society of Arboriculturists (ISA) and the American Society of Consulting Arborists. He has a master's degree in Urban Forestry from Clemson University in South Carolina. Mr. Jones has worked with Bartlett Tree Experts since 1989.

For the noon session, please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Alan Jones will give a second lecture at 6:30 pm following a 6:00 reception. Please RSVP to Dawn Johns at (215) 988-8845 by March 12th. Both lectures are free; reservations are required. ■

WORKSHOPS:

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION

Six sessions: Thursdays, March 29, April 5, 12, 19, 26, and May 3
12:30 – 3:30 pm at Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Botanical illustrator **Louisa Rawle Tiné** will teach this six-session course in botanical watercolor. The emphasis is on realistic portrayal of botanical subjects and traditional methods of dry brush watercolor painting. Each week we will discuss, draw, and paint a different plant. Instruction is highly individualized and geared for students with some art background or previous experience in botanical illustration. A materials list will be mailed upon registration. Louisa Rawle Tiné has worked as a professional artist and illustrator for 30 years. Enrollment is limited to 15 students. Fee: $190 for members, $210 for non-members. ■

SPRING WINDOW BOXES WORKSHOP

Wednesday, April 4, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Why wait for summer to plant your window box? In this workshop, each participant will plant a spring blooming window box with plants that tolerate a light frost, including forced hardy bulbs, annuals and tender perennials. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce you to a broad selection of colorful plants and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your window box throughout the season. All materials, including window box and plants, are provided. Fee: $50 for members, $60 for non-members. ■

INTERNATIONAL LECTURE SERIES:

THE GARDENS OF TUSCANY

Thursday, April 5, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Journey with us to the glorious gardens of Italy's Tuscany region, including Villa Gamberaia, Villa Castello and others. **Professor Francesco Ferrini** will discuss the ancient history of Italian gardens and current attempts to restore them. He will also explore the changing nature of the modern Italian landscape, with an emphasis on plants that are most appropriate for the new Tuscan landscape.

A native of Florence, Dr. Francesco Ferrini is Associate Professor at the University of Milan in Arboriculture and the University of Florence. His research on urban horticulture, with Nina Bassuk at Cornell University, has made him an expert on choosing and caring for trees based on the environmental limitations of the site. Dr. Ferrini also has a special interest in finding spectacular ornamental plants suited for a Mediterranean climate. Program begins at 6:00 pm and will be followed by light refreshments. Fee: $20 for members, $25 for non-members. ■

PRUNING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, April 18, 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Chanticleer

Prezemek Walczak, instructor
Fee: $15 for members; $20 for non-members. Details will appear in April *PHS News*. ■

THE 5TH ANNUAL BIKE TOUR OF PHILADELPHIA'S HISTORIC TREES:

Sunday, April 29, 12:00 – 4:00 pm

Join us for an easy, family-friendly bike ride where success is counted in trees spotted, not in miles covered. Meet at Lloyd Hall (Boat House #1 along Kelly Drive, behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art). Reservations not necessary. For more information, call Mindy Maslin at (215) 988-8844. ■

Note: The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 pm during evening programs at PHS.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THE SPRING GARDEN VISITS

A special committee of PHS members has been busy over the winter months planning this year's Spring Garden Visits. These informal garden tours are held on three Sunday afternoons in spring. The 2001 tours are scheduled for **Sunday, May 6** (Newtown Square, West Chester, Glen Mills and East Fallowfield); **Sunday, May 20** (Doylestown, Gardenville, Point Pleasant, Pipersville and Holicong); and **Sunday, June 10** (the Fairmount, Spring Garden and Logan Square neighborhoods of Philadelphia). Watch for details and registration information in the April *PHS News*.

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

☐ BBL: Tree Planting Problems	3/14	FREE	_____
☐ Workshop: Botanical Illustration	3/29-5/3	Fee: $190/$210	_____
☐ Spring Window Boxes Workshop	4/4	Fee: $50/$60	_____
☐ Int'l Lecture: Gardens of Tuscany	4/5	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Pruning Workshop	4/18	Fee: $15/$20	_____
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PLANT SOCIETIES SPECIAL MEETINGS AND SALES 2001

Events for March – April

African Violets

African Violet Club of Morris County
African Violet Annual Show and Sale
April 7 – 8, Saturday 1:30 to 5:00 pm;
Sunday 11:00 am – 4:00 pm
Haggerty Education Center–Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ 07960
Free Admission
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Cactus

Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society
Philadelphia Flower Show Exhibit
March 4 – 11, 10 am – 9:30 pm
Philadelphia Convention Center
12th and Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA
Flower Show Admission
Contact: Rita B. Hojnowski, (856) 227-0599

Daffodils

New Jersey Daffodil Society
New Jersey Daffodil Society Show
April 20 – 21
Friday 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Saturday 10:00 am – 4:00 pm
Haggerty Education Center
Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Gloxinia

American Gloxinia & Gesneriad Society, Liberty Bell Chapter
Propagation Workshops, Speakers and Monthly Meetings
September through May, Third Tuesdays, 7:30pm
Contact: Laura Shannon, (215) 247-8527

Hardy Plants

Hardy Plant Society
"March Into Spring" Day-long Symposium and Plant Sale
March 24th, 2001
American College, Bryn Mawr
Registration Required
Contact: Martha Mock, (610) 328-6345

Hostas

Delaware Valley Hosta Society
Plant Sale and slide show & lecture by Barry Yinger
March 17, 1:30 pm, Free admission
Chadds Ford Ramada Inn
US Rt. 1 & US Rt. 202
Glen Mills (Chadds Ford) PA
Contact: Eva Jones, (410) 939-3871

Native Plants

Delaware Nature Society
Native Plant Seminar, Kenote Speaker: Ken Druise
March 17, 2001, 8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Admission to be announced
Ashland Nature Center
Brackenville & Barley Mills Road
Hockessin, DE 19707
Contact: Linda J. Young, (302) 239-2334
Web site: *www.delawarenaturesociety.org*

Rock Gardening

North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter
Plant Show and Speaker
April 21, 2001, 10:00 am
Swarthmore Friends Meeting House
Swarthmore College
Contact: Ann Rosenberg, (610) 525-8683

Roses

Philadelphia Rose Society
Rose Pruning Demonstration
March 31, 2001, 1:00 pm
Morris Arboretum
9414 Meadowbrook Ave.
Chestnut Hill, PA 19118
Gate Fee: $3
Contact: Pat Pitkin (610) 692-4076
Ongoing: Society meetings at the Morris Arboretum at 7:30 PM on the first Thursday of March, April, May, October and November.

Delaware–Chester Rose Society
Rose Pruning Demonstration
March 31, 2001, 10:00 am (Rain date: April 7th)
Memorial Rose Garden
St. Maximilian Kolbe Church
West Chester, PA
15 E. Pleasant Grove Rd. (off Rt. 202 South)
Contact: Pat Pitkin (610) 692-4076
Ongoing: Meetings at the Delaware Valley Christian Church (535 N. Old Middletown Road, Lima, PA, off Rt. 352) at 7:30 PM on the 4th Monday of March, April, May, September, and October.

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SIGN UP FOR SPRING GARDEN VISITS!

See Horticultural Gems in the Country—and the City

by Chela R. Kleiber, program activities manager

PHS's Garden Visits planning committee has organized three terrific days of visits to private gardens this spring, a benefit exclusively for PHS members and their guests. On Sunday, May 6 members will visit six gardens in **Chester County**, including gardens in Glen Mills, East Fallowfield, West Chester and Newtown Square, each with its own historical significance and distinctive charm. On Sunday, May 20 participants will travel to **Bucks County** to see six more great gardens in Point Pleasant, Gardenville, Doylestown, Holicong and Pipersville.

For the third day of garden visits, Sunday, June 10, PHS is thrilled to offer something different this year. Several important **Philadelphia Green** projects will be showcased in the **Fairmount**, **Spring Garden** and **Logan Square neighborhoods** of **Philadelphia**. Philadelphia Green, PHS's urban greening program, works with city residents, volunteers, and city and private agencies to rejuvenate Philadelphia's neighborhoods, gateways and public landscapes.

City garden of Henry Lopez

photo: John Gouker

The city visits will include the newly restored grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, where Philadelphia Green's Public Landscapes department worked with the Museum, the Fairmount Park Commission, and landscape architects Wallace, Roberts & Todd to return the museum grounds to their original splendor. We'll also tour the lovely Azalea Garden on Kelly Drive, the plantings at Eastern State Penitentiary, and a vibrant community garden. Staff and volunteers will be on hand at each site to talk about the gardens and answer questions. In addition, we will visit **exquisite, private city gardens** including winners of the City Gardens Contest.

Committee coordinator Anna Marie Amey was particularly interested in giving PHS members an opportunity to see the wonderful fruits of Philadelphia Green's efforts in the City.

The idea of bringing together PHS members and Philadelphia Green projects—two of our most treasured assets—originated with the Garden Visits planning committee. Committee coordinator Anna Marie Amey was particularly interested in giving PHS members an opportunity to see the wonderful fruits of Philadelphia Green's efforts in the City.

The city garden tour will likely attract a large number of visitors, so in order to make travelling between sites more enjoyable and avoid traffic and parking congestion, shuttle buses will operate continually from 1 – 5 pm, serving two central parking locations and making stops at each garden.

The PHS offices are located not far from the gardens, so while you are in the neighborhood, all participants are invited to join us after the garden visits at 5 pm for a **reception at PHS headquarters** at 100 N. 20th Street. The McLean Library will also be open during the reception.

See page 7 for registration information for this year's garden visits. Parking information will be included in your reservation materials. We look forward to welcoming you!

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THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Growing into Your PHS Membership

At this time of year, it gives me great pleasure to welcome new members to our PHS family. Many of you joined in January, February or March so you could take advantage of that wonderful PHS membership benefit: Flower Show tickets. And now it's my hope that you will become involved in PHS in ways that extend long past the Flower Show.

It's almost 30 years since I joined the Society. In those early years—before I became a staff member and was barely able to distinguish between a daffodil and a tulip—I was thrilled to find so many great resources through the Society. By attending courses I found not only good information, but also the friendship of other members whose knowledge of horticulture seemed encyclopedic. And what's more, they were willing to share not only their wisdom, but also their plants.

Garden visits are a feature of my membership that I have enjoyed every year since I joined. This spring, those with full memberships and their guests are invited to visit gardens in Chester and Bucks Counties, as well as some wonderful gardens in Philadelphia. On these visits, the owners of the gardens are often present, so seize the opportunity to ask questions about the special plants you see or those you have been unable to figure out how to grow. Gardeners are the friendliest people I know.

Year round, there are lots of opportunities to volunteer at PHS. In spring, serving as a judge for the City Gardens Contest is a great way to join with a team to visit individual and community gardens in Philadelphia. Not only will you see fascinating gardens, but you will also have the opportunity to commune with a carload of gardeners as you criss-cross the City. Later in the year, think about helping us at the Harvest Show, or sign up right now to join the Flower Show volunteer roster for 2002. Please see the back page for more information on volunteering at PHS.

And finally, my grateful thanks to all the exhibitors and volunteers for Flower Show 2001. I greatly appreciate everything you did to make it such a wonderful event.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

WELCOME SPRING AT THE ANNUAL AZALEA GARDEN PARTY

On Thursday, May 17 from 5:30 – 8:00 pm, join us for an evening of cocktails, hors d'oevres, live music, and more at the 2001 Azalea Garden Party. This annual event, set in the lovely four-acre Azalea Garden just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, raises funds for ongoing maintenance of the Garden throughout the year. We look forward to seeing you on May 17—rain or shine!

To receive an invitation, please contact Ellen Wheeler at (215) 988-8830 or e-mail her at: *ewheeler@pennhort.org*

Gazebo at the Azalea Garden

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: IRIS BROWN & TOMASITA ROMERO

For over ten years, Iris Brown and Tomasita Romero have been growing a sense of community along with the plants in the gardens of the Norris Square neighborhood of North Philadelphia. Tomasita is a past president of the Norris Square Neighborhood Project Advisory Board, while Iris is a full-time employee. The Norris Square Neighborhood Project is a community-based organization that worked with Philadelphia Green to establish five community gardens in the neighborhood.

Together, the two friends work to keep the gardens beautiful and to make sure they reflect the culture of this primarily Puerto Rican community. Many of the structures in the Norris Square gardens take their inspiration from Puerto Rican folk art and culture. For example, in *Las Parcelas*, the largest of the gardens, Philadelphia Green funds helped build *La Casita*, the "little house." The wooden structure (which was replicated for the Philadelphia Green exhibit at the 2000 Flower Show) is decorated with brightly colored objects and mementos from Puerto Rico.

Iris and Tomasita run educational programs for children, youth, and neighborhood gardeners, using the gardens to help preserve and share as much as they can of Puerto Rican history and traditional culture while promoting the joys of horticulture. Until her retirement in 1997, Tomasita was a classroom assistant at St. Boniface School, and she got her students involved in garden upkeep. Despite the neighborhood's 95% Puerto Rican population, Iris and Tomasita felt that the local schools did not teach enough about Puerto Rican history. So they began running after-school gardening programs for children. They also work with youngsters in the City of Philadelphia's summer youth corps, run by the Private Industry Council.

Iris and Tomasita also formed a group of women and girls called *Grupo Motivo*, whose participants range in age "from 8 to 87," according to Iris. The women grow herbs that are popular in Puerto Rican cuisine, then use the herbs in cooking workshops and community get-togethers.

Both Iris and Tomasita are members of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, and they take part in many other PHS activities. Tomasita served as a community liaison in the early stages of the American Street Empowerment Zone vacant land project. Iris sits on the PHS education committee. They won a ribbon at the 2000 Harvest Show for the window display they created together.

Working with Philadelphia Green "has been a blessing for our neighborhood," says Iris. "It has opened the door to many other projects that are making a difference in our community." Tomasita cites the personal rewards of community gardening. "When you're a gardener," she says, "you share plants, friendship … you share everything you have."

– Jane Carroll

Iris with her granddaughter

Tomasita

2001 KIDS GROW EXPO, MAY 8 – 10

Are Your Kids Ready?

Registration:
Monday, May 7, 11:00 am – 6:00 pm
Expo Hours:
Tuesday, May 8, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Wednesday, May 9, 9:30 am – 3:00 pm
Thursday, May 10, 9:30 am – 5:00 pm

The **Kids Grow Expo**, PHS's horticultural exhibition by and for school-age children in the greater Philadelphia region, will take place May 8 – 10 at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. The Kids Grow Expo includes the Junior Flower Show—where kids compete in horticultural and artistic classes—as well as educational exhibits, service-learning projects, and hands-on activities. The Expo was created to increase awareness of horticulture and the natural environment and to encourage active participation of youth in growing, gardening, and environmental activities. If you are a teacher, an after-school educator, a home-schooler, scout leader, or anyone else who works with children, you won't want to miss it.

This year's theme, "Maple Leaves and PoetTrees," invites children to explore the literary medium of poetry while celebrating the importance of trees in their lives. It's a chance for kids to learn while having fun at the same time. Eleven-year-old Shanna Josephs, a home-schooled child from Havertown who has attended for several years, will be at the Expo again this year. "It is a way that I can express myself artistically using materials from nature," she says. "It is also a chance to share what I love about my plants."

Educators from throughout the Philadelphia region, including many suburban schools, find that the Kids Grow Expo offers a great opportunity for creative learning outside the classroom. For example, the Shipley School in Bryn Mawr has been participating for over ten years. Their gardening club, "The Shipley Sprouts," has won numerous awards.

Youngsters show off their creation at the 2000 Kids Grow Expo

Larry Stier, who teaches children with learning disabilities at Vare Middle School in South Philadelphia, brings his students every year. "The show rewards students' horticultural efforts while improving their expertise," he says. "With the expansion of the Kids Grow Expo in the last year, there is more hands-on learning. The activity stations offer something for everyone; the treehouse was definitely my students' favorite station last year."

It is easy to get involved. Just call PHS for a Kids Grow Expo schedule (see below) that lists the horticultural and artistic categories your students can enter. There are age divisions for pre-school through high school and special education. For service-learning projects, you can expand on something your class or group is already working on, or create a new project for the Expo.

The Kids Grow Expo is open to the public May 8 – 10. Bring your students back to see what ribbons they won, to see their projects on display, or just to enjoy the festivities and begin planning for next year! – *Mindy Maslin*

Registration takes place on Monday, May 7 from 11:00 am – 6:00 pm. You can also pre-register by completing the form on the last page of the Kids Grow Expo booklet and returning it by April 24. To register, please call Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897, or send her an e-mail at fnarducc@pennhort.org *If you have questions or would like more information, please call or plan to attend the workshop for adults (see right).*

photos: Jim Roese

A tree-climbing lesson at the 2000 Kids Grow Expo

KIDS GROW EXPO WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

April 10, 3:30 pm at PHS

Adults who work with children are invited to attend this workshop, which will focus on helping kids prepare Junior Flower Show entries. Demonstrations will include "crafty creatures," vegetable block prints, terrariums, garbage gardening, and others.

This workshop is for adults only; space is limited. To register, please call Kay Gramiak at (215) 988-8861 or send her an e-mail at kgramiak@pennhort.org

PHS TRIPS FOR 2001

The Society has planned a full schedule of fascinating tours for members and guests in early May through June, 2001. To receive a copy of any itinerary, please call Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or e-mail to: *bgullan@pennhort.org*

GARDENS OF PORTUGAL

May 2 – 13

PHS members and guests will journey to exotic Portugal for an exciting tour of three areas—in and around Lisbon, Sintra, and the island of Madeira. We'll visit private and public gardens and palaces (Queluz), see charming fishing villages and sophisticated cities, and enjoy the rich culture and architecture of the Portuguese.

In addition to gardens, we will see cultural attractions like the world-famous Gulbenkian Museum in Lisbon and thousands of examples of *azuelos* (Portuguese decorative tiles). Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group; English-speaking landscape designers who live in Portugal will be our guides.

GARDENS OF SHROPSHIRE & OXFORD

June 10 – 21

With Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized several very successful trips for PHS in the past, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members and guests to some beautiful English gardens. Highlights include Powis Castle and Hodnet Hall in Shropshire, the Oxford Botanic Garden and many smaller gardens. Accommodations will be in first-class hotels near Shrewsbury and in Oxford and London.

2001 PLANT SOCIETY EVENTS

Arboretums & Educational Facilities

Historic Bartram's Garden
Annual Native Plant Sale • May 5 – 6, 10 am to 4 pm
54th & Lindbergh Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA 19143
Contact: Michele DiGirolamo, (215) 729-5281

Brandywine Conservancy Wildflower & Native Plant Gardens
Annual Wildflower, Native Plant and Seed Sale
May 12 – 13, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm
Brandywine River Museum, Courtyard
US Route 1, Chadds Ford, PA 19317
Contact: Mark Gormel, (610) 388-8327

Churchville Nature Center
Wildflower Sale • May 5 – 6, 9 am – 5 pm
501 Churchville Lane, Churchville, PA 18966
Contact: Marlin Corn, (215) 357-4005

Cylburn Arboretum Association, Inc.
Cylburn Market Day • May 12, 8 am – 2 pm
Exotic and Native Plant Sale & All American Selections Day • September 8, 8 am – 2 pm
4915 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21209
Contact: Jane Baldwin, (410) 367-2217

Delaware Center for Horticulture
Rare Plant Auction • April 27, 6:30 pm
Call for Invitation
Conservatory at Longwood Gardens
Rte. 1, Kennett Square, PA 19348
Plant Sale • May 4, 10 am – 3 pm; May 5, 9 am – 2 pm
1810 N. Dupont Street, Wilmington, DE 19806
Contact: Kris Benarcik, (302) 358-6262

Frelinghuysen Arboretum
13th Frelinghuysen Arboretum Harvest Show & Plant Sale
September 14 – 16
Call for hours, free to public
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Friends of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum, Morris County Park Commission
Annual Plant Sale • May 5, 9 am – 5 pm
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Henry Foundation for Botanical Research
Plant Sale, Native, New, and Notable • April 27, Members Preview April 28 – 29, open to public
Call for specific hours
801 Stony Lane (off Henry Lane), Gladwyne, PA 19035
Contact: Frederica Hammerstrom, (610) 525-2034

Horticultural Alliance of the Hamptons
Preview Party • May 18, 6 – 8 pm, $25
Garden Fair • May 19, 9 am – 2 pm, Free to public
Bridgehampton Historical Society Grounds
P.O. Box 202, Bridgehampton, NY 11932
Contact: Lydia Wallis or Joan Levy, (516) 537-2223

Horticultural Society of South Jersey
Flower Show • May 8, 7:30 pm
Flower Show • September 11, 7:30 pm
Cherry Hill Community Room
820 Mercer Street, Cherry Hill, NJ 08002
Contact: Rita Hojnowski, (856) 227-0599

Irvine Natural Science Center
Seminar and Plant Sale • August 25, 9 am – 3 pm
Fee: $50 for Seminar, Plant Sale free to public
8400 Greenspring Avenue, Stevenson, MD 21153
Contact: Christel Marie Cothran, (410) 484-2413

Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College
Arbor Day Celebration • April 22, 10 am – 2 pm
Scott Arboretum Associates Plant Sale • September 14 – 16
Call for hours
500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA 19081
Contact: Claire Sawyers or Allison Necaise, (610) 328-8025

Tyler Arboretum
Arbor Day Plant Sale Plant Sale • April 28, 9 am – 3 pm
515 Painter Road, Media, PA 19063
Contact: Meg Nielson, (610) 566-9134

University of Delaware Botanic Gardens
Plant Sale • April 28, 9 am – 4 pm
Department of Plant & Soil Sciences
University of Delaware, Newark, DE 19717
Contact: John Frett, (302) 831-2531

Garden Clubs

Community Council of Garden Clubs, Media Business Authority
Milestones through Flowers • 20th Annual Flower Show
April 18 – 19, Call for hours
Media Borough Hall
3rd and Jackson Streets, Media, PA
Contact: Mary Ellis, (610) 544-3717

Providence Garden Club of Pennsylvania
53rd Annual plant Sale • May 5, 9 am – 2 pm
Williamson Free Trade School
106 South Middletown Road, Middletown Township, PA
Contact: Laurie Dent, (610) 566-4085

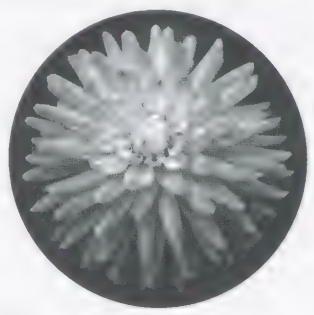
African Violets

African Violet Club of Morris County
African Violet Annual Show and Sale
April 7 – 8, Saturday 1:30 to 5 pm; Sunday 11 am – 4 pm
Free Admission
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Tri State African Violet Council
Tri-State African Violet Council Show & Sale
November 3 – 4, Call for hours
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Azaleas

Azalea Society of America, Brookside Gardens Chapter
Azalea Sale • May 12, 8 am – 12 pm
Tilden Middle School
Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda, MD
Plant Sale • May 20, call for hours
Brookside Gardens
1500 Glenallen Avenue,
Wheaton, MD
Contact: Debra White,
(310) 831-9164



Bonsai

Great Swamp Bonsai Society
Great Swamp Bonsai Society Exhibit • June 9, 10 am – 3 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Chrysanthemum

National Chrysanthemum Society
The National Chrysanthemum Show & Sale
October 13 – 14, call for hours
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Daffodils

New Jersey Daffodil Society
New Jersey Daffodil Society Show • April 20 – 21
Friday 1:00 – 4:00 pm, Saturday 10 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Dahlia

Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society
Plant Sale • May 19, 9 am – 1 pm
Waterloo Gardens, 136 Lane Avenue, Devon, PA
Contact: Steve Thomas, (610) 644-4581
Dahlia Show • September 22 – 23, call for hours
Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA

Daylilies

Delaware Valley Daylily Society
Flower Show • July 7, 1 – 4 pm
Paoli Presbyterian Church
225 South Valley Road, Paoli, PA
Plant Show and Auction • August 25
Sale: 9 am, auction: 11 am
Church of the Good Samaritan
Route 30 and Paoli Pike, Paoli, PA
Contact: (610) 356-4833

Ferns

Delaware Valley Fern & Wildflower Society
Annual Meeting & Slide Lecture • November 10, 10 am
The Horticulture Center
10 Horticulture Drive, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia PA
Fern & Wildflower Trips • April – September, TBA
Contact: Bill Bondell, (610) 647-9337

Gloxinias & Gesneraiads

Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society
Show & Sale • October 7, 10 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

American Gloxinias & Gesneraiad Society, Liberty Bell Chapter
Propagation Workshops & Speakers • September – May, Third Tuesday every month, 7:30 pm
Location: TBA
Monthly meetings • September – May, Third Tuesday every month, 7:30 pm
Location: Members homes, TBA
Spring & Fall Plant Sale • TBA
Contact: Laura Shannon, (215) 247-8527

Herbs

Herb Society of America, Delaware Valley Unit
Plant Sale and Herbal Crafts • May 19 – 20, call for hours
Holcomb-Jimison Farmstead
Lambertville, NJ
Contact: Joan Noveske, (215) 297-5348

Herb Society of America, Northern New Jersey Unit
Annual Herb Sale • May 12, 10 am – 3 pm
Delbarton School
Rt. 24, Mendham Road, Morristown, NJ 07960
Contact: Mary Jane Bount, (973) 673-7937

Herb Society of America, Philadelphia Unit
62nd Annual Herb Society Sale • May 10, 10 am – 2 pm
Historic Yellow Springs Institute
Art School Road, Chester Springs, PA
Contact: Kathy Bepler, (610) 566-6261

Swarthmore Garden Club
Annual Herb Sale • May 12, 9 am – 12 noon
Swarthmore Borough Hall
Contact: Margie Baker, e-mail: *mmb41@home.com*

Irises

Garden State Iris Society – AID Region 19
Early Show • JMay 19, 1 – 4 pm
Plant Sale • July 22, 10 am – 2 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ 07960
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Lilies

Mid Atlantic Lily Society
Lily Show • June 23 – 24, call for hours
Longwood Gardens, Terrace Restaurant
Kennett Square, PA
Plant Sale • October 28, 12 noon – 3 pm
Jenkins Arboretum, Devon, PA
Contact: Jerry Sellers, (215) 849-1928

Orchids

Delaware Valley Orchid Council
12th Annual Speakers Forum • April 28, 8:30 am – 4 pm
Fee: $30 includes lunch
Wyndham Htel, Mt. Laurel, NJ,
Contact: Lois Duffin, (215) 248-3626

Southeastern PA Orchid Society
Auction • October, date TBA, 7 pm
Educational Meetings • September through May, 2nd Wednesday each month, 8 pm
Freedom Foundation, Martha Washington Building, Valley Forge, PA
Contact: Deborah Robinson, (610) 827-7445

South Jersey Orchid Society
Annual Orchid Auction • November 19, 1 pm
Wenonah Methodist Church
Willow and South Clinton Sts., Wenonah, NJ
Contact: Freda Dexter, (856) 464-1893

Perennials & Woody Plants

Hardy Plant Society, Mid Atlantic Group
Plant Sale • August 25, 9 am – 1 pm
Frazier Mennonite Church
Malvern, PA
Contact: Shirley Chambers, (610) 783-6930

Perennial Plant Association
Perennial Plant Symposium • July 29 – Aug 4, 8 am – 5 pm, Fee: $250 per day
Hyatt Regency, Crystal City, VA
Contact: Steven Still, (614) 771-8431

Perennials Conference 2001
October 19, 9 am – 4:30 pm
Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College
500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA 19081
Call for brochure
Contact: Betsy Gullan, (215) 988-8878

Woody Plant Conference 2001
July 20, 9 am – 4:30 pm
Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College
500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA 19081
Call for brochure
Contact: Chela Kleiber, (215) 988-8875

Rhododendrons

American Rhododendron Society, Greater Philadelphia Chapter
Plant Sale & Major Event • May 12, 10 am – 4 pm
Widener Education Center
Morris Arboretum, 9414 Meadowbrook Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19118
Contact: Cathy Keim, (215) 576-6494

American Rhododendron Society, Valley Forge Chapter
Flower (Truss) Show • May 13, 1 – 5 pm
Fee: Longwood Gardens general admission
Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square, PA
Plant Sale • May 5 – 6, call for hours
Jenkins Arboretum
631 Berwyn and Baptist Road, Devon, PA 19333
For directions call: (610) 647-8870
Contact: Jim Gears, (610) 793-2313

Rock Gardening

North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter
Plant Show and Speaker • April 21, 2001, 10 am
Swarthmore Friends Meeting House
Swarthmore College
Contact: Ann Rosenberg, (610) 525-8683
Plant Sale and Silent Auction • June 9, 10 am
Fee: Must be a member
Robbins Nature Center, Ambler PA
Contact: Ann Rosenberg, (610) 525-8683

Roses

Delaware-Chester Rose Society
40th Annual Rose Show • June 9, 1 – 6 pm
Fee: Longwood Gardens general admission
Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square, PA
Contact: Pat Pitkin, (610) 692-4076

Philadelphia Rose Society
55th Annual Rose Show Sunday • June 3, 1 – 5 pm
Fee: $3
Widener Education Center
Morris Arboretum, 9414 Meadowbrook Avenue
Philadelphia, PA 19118
Contact: Pat Pitkin,
(610) 692-4076

VOLUNTEER GARDENERS NEEDED

Help Out at Art Museum Garden Day

Looking to pitch in and help this spring? Join our "Museum Green" volunteers on **April 7** at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. At 9 am, horticulture lovers will begin cleaning up the recently restored grounds and "coppicing" numerous purple smokebushes. Coppicing is a European pruning technique that dramatically cuts back the shrub to a height of roughly 6 inches. This stimulates the growth of new, deeply colored foliage, as well as a tall, stately form. Meet in the East Courtyard at the top of the steps.

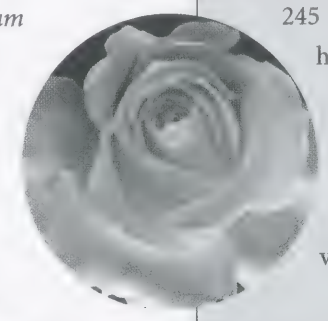
Azalea Garden Spring Workdays

Join your friends and neighbors on the third Saturday of each month, from March through November, at the **Azalea Garden**, located behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art. More volunteers are need to get this lovely garden ready for spring and keep it looking its best throughout the year. Work begins at 9 am; work will be re-scheduled in the event of heavy rain.

For more information or to volunteer for the two activities above, please contact Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865 or e-mail her at *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

Volunteers Needed to Help Restore Healing Gardens of Friends Hospital

On **Saturday, April 21**, from 10 am to 2 pm, Friends Hospital will hold "Gardening with Friends," the second annual spring cleanup of the Hospital's 100-acre campus in northeast Philadelphia. Adults and children are needed to participate in light gardening tasks such as raking, weeding and mulching. A light lunch will be served.



The "healing gardens," which feature 20,000 azaleas, 245 kinds of trees and 275 species of shrubs, have been a critical part of the Hospital's treatment since it opened its doors in 1813. Volunteers can help ensure that the grounds continue to provide a beautiful, therapeutic environment for patients and visitors in the Philadelphia area.

For more information or to volunteer, please call (215) 831-7803. In case of inclement weather, the cleanup will be held April 22 from 10 am to 2 pm. For information on other ongoing garden restoration projects at Friends Hospital, please call Mona Gold at (215) 831-4682.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

CELEBRATE
Arbor Day

FRIDAY, APRIL 27

SPRING TREE CARE TIPS

Early spring is a great time to give your trees some extra "TLC" to prepare them for a new growing season. Here are a few tips:

Water

Water newly planted trees once a week for the first year. Established trees need only be watered during hot, dry periods. When watering, trickle water onto the soil with a hose or allow the water to slowly seep from a bucket with small holes on the bottom. These methods allow water to soak deeply into the soil.

Weed

Remove competing weeds and grass, giving the tree roots more oxygen, nutrients, and water.

Cultivate

Loosen the top inch or two of compacted soil around the tree to permit more air and water to filter down to the roots.

Mulch

Add a 2 to 3-inch layer of wood chips or shredded bark around the base of the tree. But never pile mulch directly against the tree trunk; keep it a few inches away from the trunk.

Prune

Remove dead, diseased, damaged and crossing branches at any time of year. If you must remove living branches, do it before leaf buds open or after new growth hardens off in midsummer.

WORKSHOPS AND DEMONSTRATIONS:

SPRING WINDOW BOXES

Wednesday, April 4, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Why wait for summer to plant your window box? In this workshop, each participant will plant a spring blooming window box with plants that tolerate a light frost, including forced hardy bulbs, annuals and tender perennials. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce you to a broad selection of colorful plants and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your window box throughout the season. All materials, including window box and plants, are provided. Fee: $50 for members, $60 for non-members. Limit 20. ■

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 18, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Prezemek Walczak, horticulturist at Chanticleer and certified ISA arborist, will demonstrate basic pruning for small trees and shrubs. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning, proper tools and their uses, techniques and timing. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24. ■

THE 5TH ANNUAL BIKE TOUR OF PHILADELPHIA'S HISTORIC TREES:

Sunday, April 29, 12:00 – 4:00 pm

Celebrate Arbor Week with an easy, family-friendly bike ride where success is counted in trees spotted, not in miles covered. Meet at Lloyd Hall (Boat House #1 along Kelly Drive, behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art). Reservations not necessary. For more information, call Mindy Maslin at (215) 988-8844 or e-mail her at *mmaslin@pennhort.org* ■

CONTAINER GARDENING

Tuesday, May 1, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

In this workshop you will plant a 14" pot with your choice of selected annuals and tender perennials with a wide range of brilliant flower and foliage colors, diverse textures, and growth habits. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will discuss design principles and guide you through the process of planting and keeping your container looking great throughout the season. All materials, including container and plants, are provided. Fee: $50 for members, $60 for non-members. Limit 20. ■

INTERNATIONAL LECTURE SERIES:

All lectures take place in the PHS Auditorium at 6:00 pm, followed by light refreshments. Fee: $20 for members, $25 for non-members. *Note: The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 pm prior to evening programs at PHS.*

THE GARDENS OF TUSCANY

Thursday, April 5, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Journey with us to the glorious gardens of Italy's Tuscany region, including Villa Gamberaia, Villa Castello and others. **Professor Francesco Ferrini** will discuss the ancient history of Italian gardens and current attempts to restore them. He will also explore the changing nature of the modern Italian landscape, with an emphasis on plants appropriate for the new Tuscan landscape.

A native of Florence, Dr. Francesco Ferrini is Associate Professor at the University of Milan in Arboriculture and the University of Florence. His research on urban horticulture, with Nina Bassuk at Cornell University, has made him an expert on choosing and caring for trees based on the environmental limitations of the site. Dr. Ferrini also has a special interest in finding spectacular ornamental plants suited for a Mediterranean climate. ■

THE WORLD'S GREATEST COLLECTION OF GARDENS

Wednesday, May 9, 6:00 p.m.
PHS Auditorium

Noted British garden consultant **John Sales** will delight our audience with a slide lecture focussing on historic gardens and parks in Great Britain owned by the National Trust, with emphasis on restoration, conservation, design, planting, adaptation, innovation and development. He will also discuss the Herculean task of caring for the world's greatest collection of cultivated plants, including how to retain individuality, conserve plant diversity, cope with visitors, and find and keep highly skilled staff.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

WORLD'S GREATEST GARDENS, CONT'D

A frequent lecturer on all aspects of historic garden preservation, John Sales was Head of Gardens for the National Trust for 27 years, the world's largest assembly of historic parks and gardens under one ownership. The National Trust owns more than 600,000 acres of land, 200 great country houses and their contents, and 200 diverse and influential historic gardens and landscape parks throughout England, Wales and Northern Ireland. ■

GREAT LITTLE GARDENS

Wednesday, June 13, 6:00 pm

Bigger is not necessarily better! Whether you have a city garden or would like to make more of a small nook in a larger landscape, this lecture will inspire you to turn the tiniest, dingiest patch into a true garden paradise. Illustrated with photography by the award-winning photographer Andrew Lawson, British garden designer and writer **Anthony Noel** will provide design plans and planting schemes and discuss tricks and techniques using light, water, and perspective to make your garden seem larger. He'll also give maintenance tips to keep your garden looking its best.

Before he became a garden designer, Anthony Noel was an actor and stage designer. Noted for his "imaginative flamboyance," his own London garden won the Good Gardens Guide "Best Town Garden in Britain" Award and the Chelsea Gardener's Guild prize for "The Best Small Garden." Bringing glamour, style and relaxed elegance to small spaces is Mr. Noel's specialty. This lecture is based on his second and most recent book, *Great Little Gardens*.

WALKS:

THE GARDEN IN SPRING

Thursday, May 10, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Horticulturist **Lisa Roper** will guide this walk, focussing on seasonal happenings in the garden at this active time of year. Highlights include woodland native wildflowers, the last of the lingering daffodils, and spring-blooming trees and shrubs. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24. ■

EVENING GARDEN WALK

Wednesday, May 16, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer Executive Director **Chris Woods** will lead this early evening walk through this estate pleasure garden at the peak of its enchanting spring beauty. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24. ■

FIELD TRIP:

CHADDSFORD WINERY

Saturday, May 12, 10:45 am – 4:00 pm

Join us as we head for the Wine Country—right in our own backyard! Since 1982, Chaddsford Winery has been producing quality wine in the artistic community of Chadds Ford, Chester County. Proprietors Eric and Lee Miller selected a site with the ideal climate, soil, and growing conditions for world-class European style wines. They have have built production from 7,000 gallons the first year to 75,000 gallons today. **Eric Miller** will greet us, show us the vineyard, and discuss growing techniques. Then we'll have a tour of the winery where we will learn how the grapes are turned into wine, followed by lunch and a wine tasting. This trip is co-sponsored by Smith & Hawken, which will provide a gift for each participant.

Fee of $70 for PHS members and $80 for non-members includes bus transportation, snacks and lunch, tour, and wine tasting. The bus will pick up passengers in Center City and at the Horticultural Center in Fairmount Park. *Note: please indicate your pickup choice on reservation form.*

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Spring Window Boxes Workshop	4/4	Fee: $50/$60	_____
☐ Pruning Workshop	4/18	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Container Gardening Workshop	5/1	Fee: $50/$60	_____
☐ Int'l Lecture: Gardens of Tuscany	4/5	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Int'l Lecture: World's Greatest Gardens	5/9	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Int'l Lecture: Great Little Gardens	6/13	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Walk: The Garden in Spring	5/10	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Walk: Evening Garden Walk	5/16	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Field Trip: Chaddsford Winery Pick-up location: ☐ Center City ☐ Horticultural Center	5/12	Fee: $70/$80	_____
☐ 5th Annual Bike Tour of Philadelphia's Historic Trees	4/29	FREE	_____
☐ Chester County Garden Visit	5/6	Fee: $5/$25	_____
☐ Bucks County Garden Visit	5/20	Fee: $5/$25	_____
☐ Philadelphia Garden Visit	6/10	Fee: $5/$25	_____
		TOTAL:	$ _____

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES AT PHS

PHS runs on volunteer power. There are many ways to get involved all year long. You can share your horticultural expertise, work with children, help out at Society events, or just dig in and get your hands dirty. If you'd like to become part of the PHS volunteer corps, please call (215) 988-8800 and request a volunteer application form.

Volunteers are especially needed for the events listed below. For one of these activities, please contact the appropriate staff member. Thanks in advance for your help!

Spring:

Help Needed for Garden Visits. Serve as a host or hostess for the Chester and Bucks County garden visits. Volunteers are needed for morning and afternoon shifts. Please call Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775, or send an e-mail to *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

Kids Grow Expo. Volunteers are needed for a variety of jobs, from judging to setting up activity stations. To volunteer, call Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897, or send her an e-mail at *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

Summer:

Be a City Gardens Contest Judge. This is an exciting, fun way to get a close look at beautiful gardens throughout Philadelphia. To volunteer, call Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897, or send her an e-mail at *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

Fall:

2001 Harvest Show. This year's Harvest Show takes place September 15 and 16. To help out, please contact Betty Greene at (215) 911-8826 or e-mail: *bgreene@pennhort.org*

Winter:

2002 Philadelphia Flower Show. The Flower Show's success depends on the hard work of thousands of volunteers. If you want to be part of next year's excitement, it's not too early to sign up. Contact Betty Greene at (215) 911-8826 or e-mail: *bgreene@pennhort.org*

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Pete Prown – photographed at Longwood Gardens

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20 Spring Garden Visit: Bucks County

JUNE

17 Spring Garden Visit: Philadelphia [Note date change]

DOES YOUR TOWN HAVE A BEAUTIFUL GARDEN SPOT?

PHS introduces the 2001 Suburban Greening Awards

Since 1975, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has invited Philadelphia gardeners to participate in a friendly competition to show off their creative city gardens. The City Gardens Contest, still going strong, attracts about 500 competitors and about 300 volunteer judges. Beginning last year, PHS reached beyond the boundaries of the City Gardens Contest to suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Delaware, recognizing the beauty and value of public-space plantings outside the city limits. Now, for the second year, PHS will present the **Suburban Greening Award** for 2001 to garden clubs, civic associations, and others who have created dynamic green spaces that enhance their communities.

Last summer, 30 nominations were received from as far away as Wyomissing Hills and National Park, NJ, as well as from nearby towns like Media and Narberth. The nominations included plantings at train stations, public parks, main street planters, church gardens, and landscapes around municipal buildings and museums. A committee of 13 evaluators visited the sites. Though these landscapes were not competing against each other, it was the task of the committee to determine which plantings deserved PHS recognition. The evaluators chose 18 public sites and their representatives to be honored at an awards reception last October at the Society's headquarters. (See February issue of *PHS News* for a list of awardees.)

"So many people were involved. I was anxious for this project to receive the recognition it deserved."

– Mary Blackie, on the Bristol Canal Lagoon project

One of last year's awardees was the Bristol Borough Delaware Canal Lagoon—a remarkable project completed in 1997. Over 275 volunteers worked to restore this 85-year-old lagoon and island. When PHS member Mary Blackie, a Bristol resident, found out about the call for nominations, she immediately thought of the lagoon. "It was such a mega-project," she recalls. "So many people were involved, and the scale of work was extraordinary. I was anxious for this project to receive the recognition it deserved."

Another outstanding example comes from the shores of New Jersey. The Long Beach Island Garden Club has transformed the grounds surrounding the Barnegat Light Museum into a place of quiet beauty. A circular brick path winds past an amazing variety of perennials, small ponds, and secluded benches. Caretakers from the garden club meet every Monday to help maintain Barnegat Light's finest horticultural gem.

Barnegat Light, New Jersey

"We were very pleased with the enthusiastic response last year—we received a flood of nominees," notes organizer Flossie Narducci of PHS. "We look forward to building on this fertile foundation this year."

– John Gannon

Do you know of a public space planting in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, or Delaware that should be recognized by PHS? If so, please contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-9987 or send an e-mail to: *fnarducc@pennhort.org* The deadline for nominations is June 15, 2001.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Flower Show 2001:
A Mostly Sunny Forecast

Now that the Flower Show dust—and mulch—have settled, it's time to give you a rundown on the Show. Comments from visitors ranged from "Best ever in the Pennsylvania Convention Center," to "fabulous overall." Many fell in love with Penelope Hobhouse's garden. And who could resist those lush plantings in the Chanticleer exhibit? Each exhibitor was a star in his or her own right, and in our sixth year at the Convention Center, designer and director Ed Lindemann—celebrating his 30th year with the Show—hit a home run or the horticultural equivalent. Throughout the Show, our exhibitors were creative and daring, and it gave me great pleasure to hear a twenty-something visitor say, "I love the Philadelphia Flower Show because you always see the avant garde here."

At PHS we usually measure the success of each Show on its aesthetic achievements (as judged by exhibitor and visitor comments and surveys) and also on attendance figures. On the first score we believe we succeeded with flying colors, but the weather and the weather forecasters dealt us a heavy blow on attendance. On Monday, for example, when heavy snow was forecast and a mere dusting fell, we welcomed 8,500 visitors compared to almost 31,000 in the prior year. Even Wednesday, usually our busiest day for bus groups, was slow in comparison to other years. Attendance at the end of the week was excellent, but there was no way we could make up the losses of the first three days. Final attendance was 210,000, compared to 285,000 in 2000.

Given that the Show is a major fundraiser for PHS, such a shortfall in attendance inevitably raises the question as to whether we will be able to continue our programs in the upcoming year. The answer is emphatically "yes." Thanks to excellent Show attendance and to the generosity of members in prior years and the prudent investment of our funds, the Society has built reserves to help us through a lean year such as this one. Our next fiscal year will be a time when we will, as always, seek to maximize development opportunities and spend carefully, but overall we plan to continue the good work of the Society and hope for better luck with the weather in 2002.

Meanwhile, grateful thanks to all who supported the 2001 Show as exhibitors and volunteers and also to all well-wishers who worried about the fate of the Show as the forecasters went all out for that "storm of the century."

And finally, if you missed the Show, we have an excellent video! (See page 8 for details.)

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

PHS HOSTS VACANT LAND CONFERENCE

Not far from dozens of glorious garden displays at the Philadelphia Flower Show, about 400 people from across the region gathered on March 5 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center to discuss a different kind of landscape scene—the 30,000 vacant and blighted parcels of land in Philadelphia. They came together for a regional conference, *Vacant Land in Philadelphia: Transforming Liabilities Into Assets*, co-hosted by PHS and the City of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative. Co-sponsors included the Philadelphia Association of Community Development Corporations, the US Department of Agriculture, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, and the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania.

Attended by City officials and neighborhood organizations—as well as representatives from Detroit, Cleveland, Baltimore and Chicago—the conference was the first step in advancing a vacant-land management strategy for Philadelphia. Mayor John Street gave a rousing speech affirming that the issue of neighborhood blight is one of his administration's top priorities.

To illustrate the enormity of the vacant land problem, PHS executive vice president Blaine Bonham explained, "Ten years ago, there was enough vacant land to fill an area from the Schuylkill to the Delaware River, from Vine Street to Washington Avenue... since then, the amount has doubled." He called for "partnerships and collaboration" between government, residents, community-based organizations, technical assistance agencies, and businesses as the most effective way to address the problem.

Mayor John Street speaks at the conference

PHS, through its Philadelphia Green program, is proud to play a leading role in addressing the City's vacant land problem. From transforming hundreds of vacant lots into thriving community gardens to managing public landscapes such as Penn's Landing and the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Philadelphia Green has been revitalizing urban open space for over 25 years.

The vacant-land management model programs initiated by Philadelphia Green over the past five years in the New Kensington neighborhood and the American Street Empowerment Zone are proving very successful.

– Mike Groman, director, Philadelphia Green

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ANN REED

Ann Reed has been a fixture around PHS since she and her husband moved to Philadelphia 15 years ago. She has been a judge for the City Gardens Contest, has served on "just about every Philadelphia Flower Show committee," and was part of the planning committee that led to the creation of Philadelphia Green's Public Landscapes department. She recently completed two two-year terms as chair of the PHS Council. To boot, Ann is a terrific garden photographer; her work has graced the pages of our *Green Scene* magazine.

Ann is now gearing up for two new endeavors. She will lead the newly formed group of volunteers, "Museum Green," which will help keep the restored grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art looking their best. The group includes members of the Garden Club of Philadelphia, many of whom are Master Gardeners. "I'm really excited about this new program," Ann says. "We'll use the Garden Club of Philadelphia's expertise to do some of the important horticultural projects at the museum." The Garden Club of Philadelphia benefits, too. "The Club will use the project as a mentoring workshop for its younger members, giving them expert, hands-on training alongside Master Gardeners," she explains. She hopes Museum Green will become a model for other projects.*

Ann has also been named chair of PHS's first formal Development Committee. The new committee will help implement a full-fledged development program—a first for PHS. "We've always been so fortunate in the generosity of our members," Ann notes, "but as times change and PHS tries to do more and more with its resources, the time has come for a concerted development effort—including planned giving and annual giving programs." The committee's first job will be to set goals and objectives to help ensure PHS's long-term financial viability.

Noting that she's been involved in just about every aspect of the Society's work, Ann remarks, "Maybe it's time to retire...but I keep coming back."

– Jane Carroll

* If you would like to get involved with MuseumGreen, please call Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865, or send her an e-mail at *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2001 PHILADELPHIA HARVEST SHOW

Harvest Hoedown
Saturday & Sunday, September 15 – 16
Horticulture Center, Fairmount Park

Help make the 2001 Philadelphia Harvest Show another bountiful Show. If you'd like to work behind the scenes this year and will be available Wednesday through Sunday, September 12 – 16, **please fill out this form and mail to: PHS, 100 North 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, Attn: Betty Greene or e-mail *bgreene@pennhort.org***

HARVEST SHOW SHOPPE

Sign up now to assist in set-up or sales at the Harvest Show Shoppe. Volunteers are needed for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 15, 16 and 17. Please call Shani Risien-Harvey at (215) 988-1613 or e-mail her at *srisienharvey@pennhort.org* by August 15.

Sign me up to help at the Harvest Show!

Name _____

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Clerks		
Friday, 9/14	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	☐
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Wednesday, 9/12	9 am – 4 pm	☐
Thursday, 9/13	9 am – 4 pm	☐
Horticulture Information Booth		
Friday, 9/14	4 – 7 pm	☐
Saturday, 9/15	10 am – 5 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	10 am – 5 pm	☐
Entry Aids		
Thursday, 9/13	3:15 – 7 pm	☐
Friday, 9/14	7:15 – 10 am	☐

Information Aides *Welcome and direct visitors*		
Friday, 9/14	3:30 – 5 pm	☐
	5:15 – 7:15 pm	☐
Saturday, 9/15	9:30 am – noon	☐
	noon – 2:30 pm	☐
	2:30 – 5 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	9:30 – noon	☐
	noon – 2:30 pm	☐
	2:30 – 5 pm	☐
Youth Section Aides		
Thursday, 9/13	2 – 4:30 pm	☐
	4:30 – 7 pm	☐
Friday, 9/14	7:30 – 10:30 am	☐
Saturday, 9/15	11 am – 3 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	11 am – 3 pm	☐
Children's Activities		
Saturday, 9/15	11 am – 4 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	11 am – 4 pm	☐
Veggie Races		
Saturday, 9/15	9 am – 5 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	9 am – 5 pm	☐

ATTENTION CITY GARDENERS! ENTER THE 2001 CITY GARDENS CONTEST

Be a Judge:

Spend a July day among thriving tomatoes, zinnias, petunias, and zucchini. Visit gardens as large as a city block or as tiny as a backyard patio. Help choose the winners! Please call Flossie Narducci, (215) 988-8897, or send her an e-mail at *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

To Enter the City Gardens Contest:

If you garden in Philadelphia, you qualify to enter the City Gardens Contest. Amateur gardeners compete in a number of different categories from flower to vegetable to container gardens. **Just fill out the form below and mail to: City Gardens Contest, PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103 by June 10.** Good luck!

June 10 is the deadline to become a judge or to enter as a contestant. For more information, please call Flossie Narducci, (215) 988-8897, or send her an e-mail at *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

Win Great Prizes

Winners receive $50, $25, and $10 gift certificates. All winners receive a one-year membership to The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

City Gardens Contest Entry Form

PHS News

Name: _____

Address: _____

Address of garden: _____

Home phone: _____

Work phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Check appropriate category:

Individual Gardens

- ☐ Individual Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Flower Garden
- ☐ Combination Flower/Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Container Garden
- ☐ Child's Garden

Community Gardens

- ☐ Community Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Community Flower/Sitting Garden
- ☐ Combination Vegetable/Flower Garden
- ☐ Children's Garden
- ☐ "Garden Block" with window boxes and sidewalk planters
- ☐ "The Greenest Block in Town" (street trees/front yards)

ELSEWHERE ...

The World's Largest Garden Party

The Gardens Collaborative is organizing a month-long festival showcasing Philadelphia-area public gardens and arboreta. Throughout the month of May, about 100 events will be held across the region, including progressive picnics, lectures, teas, wildflower walks, plant sales, a garden photography contest and more. To request a brochure, send your name and address to the Gardens Collaborative, 9414 Meadowbrook Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19118, or visit their website at *www.libertynet.org/gardens*

"Open Days" Comes to Swarthmore and Bucks

The Garden Conservancy's "Open Days" program invites the public to visit some of America's best, rarely seen, private gardens. Five noted gardeners will participate in "Open Days" in Swarthmore, PA on **June 10**. And on **August 18**, "Open Days" will be held in Bucks County. For details and directions, call the Garden Conservancy's toll-free number: (888) 842-2442. You can also order a copy of the *Open Days Directory*, which includes a national listing.

Montgomery County Master Gardener's 3rd Annual Plant Sale

Saturday, May 19, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Penn State Cooperative Extension Office, Route 113 between Routes 73 and 29 in Collegeville, PA

For more information, please call the County Extension Office at (610) 489-4315.

COMING NEXT ISSUE

Watch the July/August issue of *PHS News* for a complete list of arboreta, gardens, and conservatories across the country that offer free admission or discounts to PHS members. If you are making travel plans and would like information before then, please call the membership office at (215) 988-8876 or 8832.

CONTRATULATIONS TO THE 2001 PHILADELP

PNC Awards to Central Feature Exhibitors

Penelope Hobhouse ('Bettiscombe Garden")
Chanticleer
The Southeast Pennsylvania IPM Research Group:
- Delaware Cooperative Extension Service School
- Penn State Cooperative Extension
- Rutgers Cooperative Extension
- Delaware Valley College Department of Ornamental Horticulture & Environmental Design
- U.S. EPA Region III
- Horticulture Academy at Abraham Lincoln High School
- Walter Biddle Saul High School
- Temple University Department of Landscape Architecture & Horticulture
- Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades

Major Exhibitor Awards

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best of Show
Landscape: Stoney Bank Nurseries
Floral Design: Robertson's
By Invitation: Meadowbrook Farm
Educational: Philadelphia Water Department
Nonprofit Display: Zoological Society of Philadelphia

The Best Achievement Award
Landscape:
Display of Bulbs: Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists
Partnering Plants and Structure: Bountiful Acres
Creation of an Intimate Garden Setting: Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors Inc.
Integration of Architectural Features and Plants: J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery Inc.
Creating a Relaxing Landscape: Daniel G. Kepich & Associates
Integration of Annuals in a Natural Setting: McNaughton's Nurseries, Inc.
Whimsical Blend of Plants and Setting: Renny Hortulus Farm Nursery
Replication of a Tranquil Natural Setting: Romano's Landscaping
Execution of a Garden Design: Stoney Bank Nurseries
Dramatic Color Combinations in the Garden: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.

Floral Design:
Imaginative Setting for Cut Flowers: Acorn & Finch Florist and Decorators
Creative Representation of a Vintage Flower Shop: Delton Designs
Display for a Special Event: Designs in Bloom
Creating a Feeling of Bygone Elegance: Fancy Branches
Use of Cut Flowers in a Unique Setting: Flowers By David Heller, Ltd./FTD
Use of Exotic Cut Flowers: William J. Franklin Florist
Party Decorator: Lamsback Floral Decorators
Successful Blend of Plants and Cut Flowers: Robertson's

By Invitation:
Dramatic Interior Display: Batch-O-Blooms Interior Landscaping
Plantsmanship: Meadowbrook Farm
Water Feature: Ponds & Gardens of Limekiln
Imaginative Use of Orchids: Waldor Orchids

The PHS Award of Merit for an outstanding exhibit
Educational: The F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co.
Nonprofit Display: American Ivy Society

The Philadelphia Flower Show Award for an exhibit of distinction:
Educational:
The F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co.
Camden County Technical School, Pennsauken Campus
Fairmount Park Commission
Friends Hospital
Netherlands American Business Association
The Pennsylvania State University Cooperative Extension
Philadelphia Water Department
U.S. Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Inspection Service
Nonprofit Display:
African Violet Society of Philadelphia
American Ivy Society
American Rhododendron Society, Greater Philadelphia Chapter
Camden City Garden Club, Inc.
Delaware Valley Fern and Wildflower Society
North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter
Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society
Zoological Society of Philadelphia

Feature Awards

The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. Silver Trophy for the most distinctive exhibit in the Show: Stoney Bank Nurseries

Alfred M. Campbell Memorial Trophy for the exhibit that demonstrates the most successful use of a variety of plants in a unique fashion: Robertson's

The Mayor's Trophy for appropriate use of a wide selection of plants and/or cut flowers: Lamsback Floral Decorators

The Governor's Trophy for successful integration of appropriate structural features and accessories into overall exhibit: J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery Inc.

The Philadelphia Trophy for the most unusual design concept: McNaughton's Nurseries Inc.

The PHS Council Trophy for the most accomplished display of forced plants and/or cut flowers: William J. Franklin Florist

PHS Garden, Entryway, Container Display, and Collection Class Awards

PHS Garden Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in Classes 151 and 151A (Gardens): Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in Classes 152 and 152A (Entryways): Moorestown Garden Club

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in Classes 155 and 155A (Container Display): The Garden Workers

The PHS Awards for daily maintenance and condition in Classes 151, 151A, 152, 152A, 155, 155A, 170, 171, 171A:
Garden: Lower Merion High School
Entryway: Moorestown Garden Club
Container Display: The Weeders
Balcony: University of Delaware Merrie Stems
Urn: The County Garden Club of Mt. Laurel

Special Panel Awards

Chicago Horticultural Society Flower Show Medal to an exhibit showing outstanding horticultural skill and knowledge: Meadowbrook Farm

The Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association Trophies to the Competitive Classes garden in Class 151 and entryway area in Class 152 showing the most effective use of plants and best use of design:
Entryway: The Siblings
Garden: Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia

Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal to the Competitive Classes Garden, Class 151, demonstrating the best use of design: Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia

The American Horticultural Society Citation for an exhibit of horticultural excellence which best demonstrates the bond between horticulture and the environment, and inspires the viewer to beautify home and community through skillful design and appropriate plant material: Stoney Bank Nurseries

Bulkley Medal of the Garden Club of America awarded to a special exhibit in the fields of horticulture, botany, or conservation. The exhibit must be one of exceptional educational merit: Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society

Special Achievement Awards of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania awarded to exhibits of unusual excellence in Conservation (1,000 square feet and over, and under 1,000 square feet):
Fairmount Park (1,000 sq. ft. and over)
Philadelphia Water Department (Under 1,000 sq. ft.)

Men's Garden Club of Delaware Valley Award to a garden containing plants suited to the Delaware Valley in a setting that can primarily be maintained by one person:
University of Delaware Merrie Stems

Society of American Florists Flower Show Award for artistic presentation of flowers and plants for public enjoyment in the Floral Design category: Lamsback Floral Decorators

The Phyllis M. Craig Award for the best use of flowering and/or foliage pot plants in the Floral Design category:
Robertson's

Marketplace Awards of the Philadelphia Flower Show for the best staging in accessories, horticulture, and art:

Horticulture:

	Large:	Standard:
1st	Blom's Bulbs	Sea Dragon Nursery
2nd	Flower Hut	Eastwoods Nurseries
3rd	Meehan's Miniatures	American Meadows

Accessories:

1st	E. P. Henry	Rising Sun Gardens
2nd	Lee Valley Tools	John Dodd Studio
3rd	Bittersweet Herb Farm	Country Landmark Vinegar

Art:

1st	Zebulon Stoneworks	Doorknockers by Colby Smith
2nd	Boehm Porcelain Studios	Vermont Botanical
3rd	Snow Gallery	Robert Miller

Horticulture Awards

The PHS Ribbon presented on each entry day, if merited, to the highest scoring blue-ribbon entry of one variety in the Horticultural Classes:

Saturday:	Juliet Haroutunian (*Genista canariensis*)
Tuesday:	Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton (*Myrtus communis*)
Friday:	Clarke K. Ott (*Adenium obesum*)

The PHS Ribbon presented on each entry day, if merited, to the highest scoring blue-ribbon entry having two or more varieties:

Saturday:	Beatrice and Gerald Barad ("Succulent Sensations" collection)
Tuesday:	Garden Club of Princeton
Friday:	Dorothy and Robert Freeman

PHS Orchid Award for the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in Classes 500-519: David Stephens (*Phragmipedium dominimum* 'Bob Mack')

The Emile H. Geschick Memorial Award for distinctive orchid display, judged for quality and artistic arrangement in either group or individual specimens: Waldor Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Trophy for the most meritorious orchid exhibit: Waldor Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Awards

Saturday:	Kenneth Horowitz (*Phalaenopsis* 'Pai Fang's Queen X Flight of Birds') Waldor Orchids

DELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

Philadelphia Unit, Herb Society of America Inc. Awards for an outstanding use of herbs or an individual specimen herb:

Saturday:	Bettiscombe Garden; Delaware Valley College; Mill Creek Valley Garden Club
Tuesday:	Dorothy and Robert Freeman; Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton; Diana Wister
Friday:	Jenny Carey; Katherine C. Kristol; Ray Rogers

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Doretta Klaber Award for the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the following Rock Garden Classes: 242, 243, 278, 342, 343, 390, 442, 443 and 485: Lee Morris Raden (*Draba longisiliqua*)

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Ribbons in the following Rock Garden Classes:

279 – Joan Harvey
244 – John Ray and Clifton West
243 – Lee Morris Raden
342 – Jean Cooke
278 – Mimi Snyder
343 – Margaret P. Bowditch
344 – Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
384 – Joan Harvey
390 – Lee Morris Raden
444 – Mrs. Samuel M.V. Hamilton
442 – Lee Morris Raden
443 – Lee Morris Raden
485 – Beth Dribin
487 – Betty Toland
488 – Betty Toland

Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Ribbons for the outstanding blue-ribbon winners in the Narcissus Classes:

Saturday:	Margaret P. Bowditch (*Veltheimia bracteata*)
Tuesday:	Ray Rogers (*Narcissus* 'Green Pearl')
Friday:	Ray Rogers (*Narcissus* 'Brackenhurst')

PHS Ribbons for the outstanding blue-ribbon winners in the bulb section, other than Narcissus Classes:

Saturday:	Lee Morris Raden (*Narcissus fernandesii*)
Tuesday:	Ray Rogers (*Hippeastrum* 'Pamela')
Friday:	Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton (*Lilium* 'Woodruff's Memory')

American Primrose Society Award, Doretta Klaber Chapter Ribbons for the best Primula in Classes 242, 342 and 442:

242 – Lee Morris Raden (*Primula vulgaris* 'Paragon')
342 – Jean Cooke (*Primula frondosa*)
442 – Lee Morris Raden (*Primula kisoana* 'Alba')

Far Out Cactus Award: Dr. Gerald Barad (*Rebutia arenacea*)

Meadowbrook Farm Indoor Gardening Trophy: Dr. Gerald Barad ("Succulent Sensations")

The Edith Wilder Scott Award given by the Four Counties Garden Club to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Horticulture Classes: Diana Wister (*Pelargonium* variegated 'Prince Rupert')

Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society Ribbons to outstanding cactus or succulent entries in any class or section of the Show:

160 – Beatrice and Gerald Barad
165 – Shipley School Sprouts
268 – Ray Rogers
270 – Sylvia R. Lin
271 – Ray Rogers
277 – Sylvia R. Lin
374 – Sylvia R. Lin
374 – Ray Rogers
377 – Sylvia R. Lin
392 – Ray Rogers
478 – Dr. Gerald Barad
479 – Dr. Gerald Barad
491 – Dr. Gerald Barad
494 – Clarke K. Ott

The Garden Club of America Certificate of Excellence for an exhibit of great distinction in a competitive class at a major flower show. Entry must have placed first, second, or third. (Awarded in 2001 to an exhibit in the Horticulture Section.): Beatrice and Gerald Barad

Artistic Classes Awards

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania presented each judging day to the highest scoring blue-ribbon winner in the Niche Classes scoring 95 or more points:

Saturday:	Kelly Asplundh
Wednesday:	Jane Godshalk and Cheryl Barrett
Friday:	Donna Edwards and Jo Kane

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania presented on Saturday and Thursday to the highest scoring blue-ribbon winner in the Miniature Arrangement Classes scoring 95 or more points:

Saturday:	Vida Carson
Thursday:	Leslie Purple and Emilie Lapham

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania presented on Saturday, Wednesday and Friday to the highest scoring blue-ribbon winner in the Defined and Open Space Classes scoring 95 or more points:

Saturday:	Lucy von Raab and Christine Smart
Wednesday:	Sylvia Kindig and Jenifer Kindig
Friday:	Pinkie Roe and Susan Detjens

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Miniature Arrangement Classes: Vida Carson

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Pressed Plant Material Classes: June Moyer

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Miniature Settings Classes: Marnie King and Nancy Dilworth

PHS Room Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Room Classes: Garden Club of Trenton

Jack Kellmer Company Award to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Table Classes: Old Eagle Garden Club

PHS Award for daily maintenance and condition in the Room and Table Classes:

Room:	Quakertown Gardeners
Table:	The Gardeners of Rose Valley

The FTD District 3-B Trophy for the outstanding arrangement of the week in the Room and Table Classes: Garden Club of Philadelphia

The Margaret Biddle Bright Award presented by the Seed and Weed Garden Club—for the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit of the week in the Large Niche Classes: Audrey Nichols

Nancy Reid Clausen Award donated by the Chestnut Hill Garden Club—to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit of the week in the Medium Niche Classes: Jo Kane and Donna Edwards, for "Pied Piper" Challenge Class

Carolyn Waite Award presented by the Huntingdon Valley Garden Club—to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit of the week in the Small Niche Classes: Cherie Littell-Nobil for "Angular Design"

The PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit of the week in the Defined and Open Space Classes: Ann Fox Hayes for "Symphony of Flowers"

The Helen Hope Dechert Award presented by The Planters to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit of the week in the Niche Classes: Jo Kane and Donna Edwards, for "Pied Piper" Challenge Class

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Designs for Jewelry Classes: Fran Sullivan House

Sweepstakes

PHS Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (Runner-up) for the individual accumulating the second greatest number of points in the Horticulture Classes: Sylvia R. Lin (1088 points for 161 entries)

Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy for the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticulture Classes: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton (2030 points for 258 entries)

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy of the Huntingdon Valley Garden Club—for the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Horticulture Classes:

Organization:	Wissahickon Garden Club (2165 horticultural points)
First runner-up:	Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society (1707 points)

Sarah C. Z. Groome Award to the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in the following Artistic Classes: Niches, Defined and Open Spaces, Miniature Arrangements, Pressed Plant Material, Jewelry, Rooms, and Tales:

Winner:	W. Eugene Burkhart, Jr. (74 points)
Runner up:	Jane Kilduff (29 points)

The PHS Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy to the horticultural organization accumulating the greatest number of points in the Artistic Section:

Organization:	The Garden Club of Philadelphia (182 points)
First runner-up:	Wissahickon Garden Club (166.5 points)

Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award for the garden club accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Philadelphia Flower Show:

Organization:	Wissahickon Garden Club (2348.5 points)
First runner-up:	The Garden Club of Philadelphia (788 points)

The PHS Grand Sweepstakes Trophy, donated by Mrs. Henry W. Breyer, Jr.—to the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Philadelphia Flower Show:

Individual:	Alice Farley (4 artistic entries; 48 horticultural entries)

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES

BEWITCHING BEGONIAS

Thursday, June 7, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

What do you know about the different types of begonias: cane-like, shrub-like, thick stemmed, semperflorens, rhizomatous, rex, tuberous, trailing and scandant? Begonia enthusiast **Bernard Wiener** will discuss some of these begonias, the most effective ways to grow them, and how to propagate begonias so you'll always have the plants you want—and more for your friends. Bernard Wiener is founder of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Hobby Greenhouse Association and is currently organizing a local branch of the American Begonia Society. He is a popular speaker on growing plants under artificial lights. Bring a lunch, PHS will provide coffee and tea. Fee: $5. ■

WORKSHOPS

IN THE GARDEN: GEARING UP FOR SUMMER

Saturday, June 9, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Bryn Mawr, PA

Join us for a hands-on workshop in the garden of **Fran Sorin** in Bryn Mawr, PA. Fran will give a tour of her garden and demonstrate how she has incorporated tropical plants in her perennial borders, providing texture and color over the summer months. Fran will also focus on unusual combinations for summertime containers, as well as how to utilize summertime perennials to give your garden a much-needed boost of color. Each participant will receive a plant to take home.

Fran Sorin is a noted garden designer. Her garden will be featured in the June issue of *Green Scene*, focusing on height in the garden. Fran is currently writing her first book and is in the process of developing her own gardening show. Fee: $28 for members, $32 for non-members. Limit 18. ■

BACKYARD PROPAGATION

Thursday, June 14, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, PA

Learn several easy, sure-fire ways to propagate shrubs and perennials during late spring and early summer. Experienced propagator **Alan Slack** will lead you through simple step-by-step methods with tips and hints to ensure propagating success. Participants will start cuttings to take home. If you would like to propagate a favorite shrub or perennial, please bring a few freshly cut branches containing the current year's growth. All equipment and supplies will be provided. Fee: $24 for members, $29 for non-members. Limit 20. ■

PAPERMAKING

Tuesday, June 19, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Winnie Radolan, whose last papermaking demonstration at PHS captivated the audience, will lead a papermaking workshop at Chanticleer. Winnie will show you how to create sheets of handmade paper from the cellulose fibers found in everyday garden materials—iris and daylily leaves, cattail fluff, ornamental grasses, and vegetables. Your finished sheets of paper can be used to create stationery, picture mats, or collage materials. Please bring a lunch along with items from your treasure drawer to use in your paper creation, such as feathers, floss, stamps, dried flowers, lace, or anything that won't rust or bleed color. Fee: $50 for members, $60 for non-members. Limit 15. ■

INTERNATIONAL LECTURE SERIES

All international lectures take place in the PHS Auditorium at 6:00 pm, followed by light refreshments. Fee: $20 for members, $25 for non-members. Note: The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 pm prior to these evening programs at PHS.

THE WORLD'S GREATEST COLLECTION OF GARDENS

Wednesday, May 9, 6:00 pm

Noted British garden consultant **John Sales** will delight our audience with a slide lecture focusing on historic gardens and parks in Great Britain owned by the National Trust, with emphasis on restoration, conservation, design, planting, adaptation, innovation and development. He will also discuss the Herculean task of caring for the world's greatest collection of cultivated plants, including how to retain individuality, conserve plant diversity, cope with visitors, and find and keep highly skilled staff.

A frequent lecturer on many aspects of historic garden preservation, John Sales was for 27 years Head of Gardens for the National Trust, the world's largest assembly of historic parks and gardens under one ownership. The National Trust owns more than 600,000 acres of land, 200 great country houses and their contents, and 200 diverse and influential historic gardens and landscape parks in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. ■

GREAT LITTLE GARDENS

Wednesday, June 13, 6:00 pm

Bigger is not necessarily better! Whether you have a city garden or would like to make more of a small nook in a larger landscape, this lecture will inspire you to turn the tiniest, dingiest patch into a true garden paradise. Illustrated with photography by award-winning photographer Andrew Lawson, British garden designer and writer **Anthony Noel** will provide design plans and planting schemes and discuss tricks and techniques using light, water, and perspective to make your garden seem larger. He'll also give maintenance tips to keep your garden looking its best.

Before he became a garden designer, Anthony Noel was an actor and stage designer. Noted for his "imaginative flamboyance," his own London garden won the Good Gardens Guide "Best Town Garden in Britain" Award and the Chelsea Gardener's Guild prize for "The Best Small Garden." Bringing glamour, style and relaxed elegance to small spaces is Mr. Noel's specialty. This lecture is based on his second and most recent book, *Great Little Gardens.* Copies will be available for signing after the lecture. ■

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

THE GARDEN IN SPRING

Thursday, May 10, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she leads an evening stroll through the Chanticleer gardens to point out woodland wildflowers, flowering trees, shrubs, perennials and bulbs. She will discuss ideas for the spring garden, including cultural tips and interesting combinations. Lisa's tour will highlight plants with spring interest in mixed borders, the Asian woodland, native woodland, pond garden, and the new garden ruin. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24. ■

EVENING GARDEN WALK

Wednesday, May 16, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer Executive Director **Chris Woods** will lead this early evening walk through this estate pleasure garden at the peak of its enchanting spring beauty. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24. ■

HEDGES AND SCREENS

Wednesday, June 27, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Good fences make good neighbors. So the saying goes, but a well designed grouping of interesting plants can also provide a more creative and friendly way to hide an undesirable view. In this walk with Chanticleer horticulturist **Peter Brindle**, you'll see a variety of plants used to define spaces and lend structure to the garden. Peter will discuss the plants used as hedges and screens and offer tips on selecting the best plants to use in your landscape. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24. ■

FIELD TRIP

CHADDSFORD WINERY

Saturday, May 12, 10:45 am – 4:00 pm

Join us as we head for the Wine Country—right in our own backyard! Since 1982, Chaddsford Winery has been producing quality wine in the artistic community of Chadds Ford, Chester County. Proprietors Eric and Lee Miller selected a site with the ideal climate, soil, and growing conditions for world-class European-style wines. They have built production from 7,000 gallons the first year to 75,000 gallons annually. **Eric Miller** will greet us, show us the vineyard, and discuss growing techniques. Then we'll have a tour of the winery where we will learn how the grapes are turned into wine, followed by lunch and a wine tasting. This trip is co-sponsored by Smith & Hawken, which will provide a gift for each participant.

Fee of $70 for PHS members and $80 for non-members includes bus transportation, snacks and lunch, tour, and wine tasting. The bus will pick up passengers in Center City and at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. *Note: please indicate your pickup choice on reservation form.*

SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Garden Visits are open to PHS members and their guests. Directions and parking information for all Spring Garden Visits will be included in your reservation materials. Fee: $5 for members, $25 for non-members.

CHESTER COUNTY

Sunday, May 6, 12:00 – 5:00 pm

Visit six private gardens in Glen Mills, East Fallowfield, West Chester, and Newtown Square.

BUCKS COUNTY

Sunday, May 20, 12:00 – 5:00 pm

Visit six great gardens in Point Pleasant, Gardenville, Doylestown, Holicong and Pipersville.

PHILADELPHIA

*Sunday, June 17 [**Note Date Change**], 1:00 – 5:00 pm*

Visit outstanding private gardens and Philadelphia Green sites in the Fairmount, Spring Garden, and Logan Square neighborhoods of Philadelphia. Stops will include the Azalea Garden and the restored grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. After the garden visits, participants are invited to a reception at PHS headquarters, 100 N. 20th Street.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS Activities, attn: Deborah Fife, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215) 988-8810, phone (215) 988-8869, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org* Fax, phone, and e-mail reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunch programs. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events held away from PHS.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call Deborah Fife at (215) 988-8869, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org*

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Brown Bag Lunch: Bewitching Begonias	6/7	Fee: $5	_____
☐ Workshop: Gearing Up for Summer	6/9	Fee: $28/$32	_____
☐ Workshop: Backyard Propagation	6/14	Fee: $24/$29	_____
☐ Workshop: Papermaking	6/19	Fee: $50/$60	_____
☐ Int'l Lecture: World's Greatest Gardens	5/9	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Int'l Lecture: Great Little Gardens	6/13	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Walk: The Garden in Spring	5/10	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Walk: Evening Garden Walk	5/16	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Walk: Hedges and Screens	6/27	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Field Trip: Chaddsford Winery *Pick-up location:* ☐ Center City ☐ Horticultural Center	5/12	Fee: $70/$80	_____
☐ Spring Garden Visit: Chester County	5/6	Fee: $5/$25	_____
☐ Spring Garden Visit: Bucks County	5/20	Fee: $5/$25	_____
☐ Spring Garden Visit: Philadelphia	6/17	Fee: $5/$25	_____
		TOTAL:	$_____

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Guest: _____
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HARVEST SHOW CHALLENGE CLASSES

What is a Challenge Class? Challenge Class exhibitors must grow their entries from uniform materials. All varieties must be grown in a container. Entries will be judged on quality, size, and condition of plants and on the overall appearance of the container. Only one plant per container is permitted. **Limited quantities of seeds are available from PHS through June 30.**

220 *Pelargonium* x *hortorum* 'Elite' Hybrid, red (Geranium)
221 *Lavandula angustifolia* Munstead Strain (Lavender)
222 *Swiss Chard* 'Bright Lights'

Order early so that your seeds can be planted in time for optimum growth. Send your seed requests to:

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NEW GOLD MEDAL PLANT WINNERS!

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is pleased to announce the winners of the 2002 Gold Medal Plant Awards. The Gold Medal Plant Award program promotes lesser-known woody plants of exceptional merit that thrive in our growing area—Zones 5 through 7. A variety of Gold Medal plants will be available for purchase in the PHS tent at the Harvest Show. (Members receive a 10% discount.)

***Buxus sempervirens* 'Vardar Valley' (boxwood)** grows to 3 feet high by 4 feet wide in 15 years. Its blue green foliage and twisted branches give this boxwood a distinctive appearance in the landscape. Deer resistant. Hardy through Zone 5.

***Campsis grandiflora* 'Morning Calm' (trumpet vine)** is a well-behaved climber with salmon orange blooms from mid-July through mid-August. Ideal for smaller gardens, 'Morning Calm' grows to 8 feet in full sun. This non-invasive woody vine needs supports and an annual spring pruning for best bloom. Hardy in Zones 6–9.

Campsis grandiflora 'Morning Calm'

Physocarpus opulifolius 'Diablo'

***Malus* 'Adirondack' (crab apple)** is narrow and upright, growing to 18 feet in 20 years. The slow growth rate coupled with disease resistance and abundant white flowers make this tree a standout in the garden. Small persistent, orange-red fruit adds another season of interest. Hardy in Zones 4–8.

***Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Diablo' (ninebark)** is an extremely hardy deciduous shrub with an upright spreading habit and decorative pealing bark. Showy pinkish white corymbs (flower clusters) bloom May through June. A native with interesting purple foliage in summer followed by red fruit in autumn, 'Diablo' is great for mass plantings. Prune to control height or let it grow to 10 feet high by 10 feet wide. Plant in full or part sun. Hardy to Zone 2.

A complete list of Gold Medal plants is available on the PHS Web site, *www.libertynet.org/phs* Gold Medal Plants are widely available; check with your local nursery. The following locations have Gold Medal displays with photographs and educational materials.

McNaughton's Nurseries
351 Kresson Road
Cherry Hill, NJ 08034
(856) 429-6745

Mostardi Nursery
4033 West Chester Pike
Newtown Square, PA 19073
(610) 3567502

Primex Nursery
435 W. Glenside Avenue
Glenside, PA 19038
(215) 887-7500

J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.
914 Baltimore Pike
Concordville, PA 19331
(610) 459-2400

Triple Oaks Nursery
P.O. Box 385
2359 Delsea Drive
Franklinville, NJ 18322
(856) 694-4272

Waterloo Gardens Inc.
136 Lancaster Avenue
Devon, PA 19333
(610) 293-0800
and
200 N. Whitford Road
Exton, PA 19341
(610) 363-0800

The October issue of *Green Scene* will include a more detail description of the 2002 Gold Medal Plants. If you do not currently receive *Green Scene*, consider upgrading your membership. Please call (215) 988-8776 or 8832.

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JULY

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AUGUST

1 Flower Arranger's Garden

Malus 'Adirondack'

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Growing an Interest in Horticulture

It was a beautiful day in early May, and the lovely grounds of the **Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park** rang with children's voices. Some were enjoying the pleasures of the Reflecting Pool, others were making leaf prints, hunting for residents in a worm box or searching for the answers to treasure-hunt clues.

Inez Acosta-Nelson, who teaches English as a second language, was at PHS's **Kids Grow Expo** with a group of students representing a veritable United Nations. From the Dominican Republic, China and Korea they have come, each one struggling in a new land to find connections to the homes they left behind—sometimes not of their own volition.

To Inez, the Kids Grow Expo is one of her favorite teaching tools. The exhibits by other students, along with the activities—organized by volunteers from the Morris Arboretum, Awbury Arboretum, Saul, Lincoln, and Kensington High Schools and the Philadelphia Water Department—help the children find common ground.

The Expo is just one opportunity PHS provides for children and/or teachers to engage in horticultural pursuits. Through our "Youth in Communities" program we offer **Tree Tender Training for Teachers**, where our staff and professionals in the field, including those from Bartlett Tree Expert Co., one of our Flower Show sponsors, provide teachers with information on community tree care, which they in turn pass on to their students. We encourage graduates from our Tree Tender programs to work with schools in their neighborhoods. We also organize **Park Patrols**, after-school groups combining recreation, environmental education and service in three neighborhood parks: Norris Square, Carroll Park and Malcolm X Memorial Park.

For children who enjoy showing off a favorite houseplant, a floral design, the biggest tomato and more, there's also the **Philadelphia Harvest Show**. In the new Show schedule, you will find a host of classes for children. And as Tina Colehower, chair of the Harvest Show's youth section says, "there's nothing more exciting to a child than winning a ribbon."

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

PHS's BLAINE BONHAM HONORED

For the past few years, the Green Space Alliance has presented its Award of Excellence to an individual who exhibits exemplary leadership in the preservation and creation of open space. This year's award went to PHS executive vice president J. Blaine Bonham, Jr., who was recognized for his efforts to improve the quality of open space in Philadelphia through the greening initiatives of the Society's Philadelphia Green program.

The Green Space Alliance is a coalition of organizations committed to protecting farmland and open space in the five-county metropolitan area of southeastern Pennsylvania. It is a project of the Pennsylvania Environmental Council, a 30-year-old nonprofit that focuses on water and land use issues throughout the state.

While past honorees have included political leadership from Chester, Montgomery, and Bucks counties, this is the first time that the award has been city-focused. "Open space issues are just as critical in the urban context as in the suburbs or rural areas," said Green Space Alliance director Mark McQuigan, who cited PHS and Blaine's work on the problem of urban vacant land. "PHS has helped City government to rethink the use and management of these neglected places," he noted. "And all of this effort is now finally coming to fruition through the City's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI)."

J. Blaine Bonham, Jr.
PHS executive vice president

Over a hundred people attended the Alliance's Annual Meeting on June 25th, held on Temple University's main campus and co-sponsored by Temple's Sustainable Communities project. Phil Wallace, chair of the Alliance, presented the award to Blaine. One of the featured speakers was Pat Smith, director of NTI, who spoke about the City's plans and its collaboration with PHS.

"It was a tremendous honor to be recognized for our accomplishments," said Blaine, who in 1974 helped launch the program that would become Philadelphia Green. "We look forward to continuing our collaboration with the City and exploring ways to solve the crippling problem of urban vacant land. It's a vital part of what needs to be done to ensure positive change in Philadelphia."

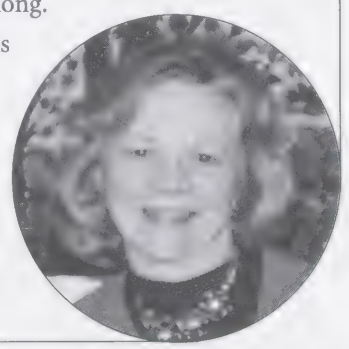
– John Gannon

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: SANDY MANTHORPE

Sandy Manthorpe is a busy PHS volunteer. At the Philadelphia Flower Show each year, she and her husband Spencer both serve as judges, and Spencer helps out with set-up. Together with her friend Sally Graham, Sandy was instrumental in compiling the PHS cookbook, *Great Recipes from Great Gardeners*, published in 1993. Sandy is also a member of the Azalea Garden committee, helps with the Kids Grow Expo, and served for many years on the PHS Council.

But one of her favorite PHS roles is judging the annual City Gardens Contest, which she has done for the past 17 years or so. "There are so many positives," Sandy exclaimed when asked what keeps her interested in the contest. The Manthorpes have a large garden on their 26-acre property in Glenmoore, but Sandy admits to feeling "humbled" when she sees what city gardeners are able to accomplish in a small space. "Sometimes my jaw just drops to see the oasis that someone has created in the city," she says.

"But the best part is meeting so many wonderful people and seeing gardens that you would never get a chance to see otherwise," she continues. Sandy loves sharing plants and stories with fellow gardeners. She especially remembers receiving *Datura* (thorn apple) seeds from a gardener at the Garden of Eatin', a community garden in Southwest Philadelphia. The seeds had a long history, having originally come from Louise Bush-Brown, author of the classic 1927 book, *Flowers for Every Garden*. Sandy first planted some in her garden in Media, then took seeds to her new home in Glenmoore. "I have them growing along the fence, and whenever people stop to admire them I pass some seeds along. It's wonderful to think I'm part of a long thread of gardeners keeping this connection going."



Sandy's enthusiasm for the City Gardens Contest is no less strong today than it was when she started. "It's the best program ever," she declares. "It's unbelievably special, and I can't wait to do it again this year."

– Jane Carroll

CREATING A GARDEN VILLAGE IN UNIVERSITY CITY

The Walnut Street Greenway

What happens when you combine five city blocks, 108 street trees, and 1200 volunteers? A newly green stretch of Walnut Street, between 43rd and 48th Streets in University City, called the Walnut Street Greenway.

Organized by University City Green (UC Green), a program of the University of Pennsylvania, the March 24 tree-planting extravaganza went off without a hitch. Volunteers included neighborhood residents, students from West Philadelphia High School, members of eight Tree Tender groups, and students from Penn and seven other colleges in the Philadelphia area. Also on hand were 25 college students from Tennessee, who had devoted their Spring Break to community service. There were so many volunteers, in fact, that the planting was done by noon—four hours ahead of schedule.

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Esaul Sanchez, director of UC Green, said planning for the project began in the summer of 2000. The Greenway is part of a grand scheme to transform University City into a "garden village." Walnut Street will be one of several thoroughfares that "frame" the neighborhood, attracting visitors and inspiring similar plantings on other streets.

"Already on the 4600 block, the residents have taken the initiative to plant pansies around the trees," Sanchez notes. "Hopefully, many more people will want trees for their blocks, too. The end result," he predicts, "will be a community that is cleaner, safer, more beautiful and that feels like a garden village."

– Jane Carroll

Volunteers check the position of a tree before removing the burlap covering.

ACTION NEWS GARDENING TIPS

If you watch the local television news, don't miss PHS's own Patricia Schrieber, the *Action News* gardening expert. She appears each Friday, from April through October, near the end of the 5:30 pm broadcast on Channel 6 (ABC). Together with ABC's Dave Roberts, Patricia offers a variety of timely gardening tips. The segments are repeated on Sunday mornings between 10:00 and 10:20 am. You can see a summary of topics covered on the *Action News* website, *www.wpvi.com*

SPECIAL BULB CLASSES ANNOUNCED FOR 2002 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Thinking about entering the Horticulture Classes at next year's Philadelphia Flower Show? Why not try your hand at growing these newly announced additions to the bulb classes.

General Bulb Classes

- *Narcissus* 'Little Gem' (Miniature) in a 6" azalea pot
- Any Division XI Daffodil (split-cupped) in an 8" azalea pot
- *Narcissus* 'Monal' (Division II) in an 8" azalea pot
- *Tulipa* 'Calgary' (Triumph), in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot
- *Hyacinthus* 'Peter Stuyvesant' in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot

Bulb Challenge Class

- *Leucojum vernum* in a pot no taller than 6"

Novice Classes (Open to anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in the Horticulture Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show prior to 2002)

- Any *Narcissus* (except Division XI) in an 8" azalea pot
- Any *Tulipa* (except 'Calgary') in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis); a single-nosed bulb, in a pot

Note: All these bulbs must be grown and shown in pots of the size specified. Look for more information and an entry form in the 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show *Exhibitor's Guide*. The guide will be mailed to PHS members in early fall.

CONFERENCE TO FOCUS ON INVASIVE PLANTS

Invasive Plants Conference
August 14 – 15, Swarthmore College

Invasive plants are serious threats to biological diversity and the health of our natural resources. This conference brings together experts from the front lines of research, the green industry, policy, funding, education, and hands-on management who are working to solve this problem.

The conference is presented by the Mid-Atlantic Exotic Pest Plant Council, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, and The Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College in partnership with 27 regional businesses and organizations.

For a brochure, please contact Morris Arboretum, 9414 Meadowbrook Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19118, (215) 247-5777 ext. 149.

USE YOUR MEMBERSHIP CARD TO VISIT THESE GREAT GARDENS!

If you have travel plans this year, take advantage of the 2001 Reciprocal Admission Program, administered by the American Horticultural Society. Your PHS membership card is your ticket to botanical gardens, arboreta, and conservatories across the United States, Canada, and the West Indies. Simply present your PHS membership card at any of the following gardens to receive free or discounted admission and other benefits. For more information, please contact the individual gardens, or visit the American Horticultural Society website: *www.ahs.org*

Alabama

*Birmingham Botanical Gardens**
2612 Lane Park Road
Birmingham, AL 35223
(205) 414-3900 • (205) 414-3906 (F)
www.bbgardens.org
5% discount in gift shop

Dothan Area Botanical Garden
5130 Headland Avenue
Dothan, AL 36303
(334) 793-3224 • (334) 793-5275 (F)
www.dabg.com
Free admission • 10% discount in the gift shop

Huntsville-Madison County BG
4747 Bob Wallace Avenue
Huntsville, AL 35805
(256) 830-4447 • (256) 830-5314 (F)
hsvbg.org
Free admission

*Mobile Botanical Gardens**
5151 Museum Drive
Langan Park
Mobile, AL 36608
(334) 342-0555 • (334) 342-3149 (F)

Arizona

Arboretum at Flagstaff
4001 S Woody Mountain Road
Flagstaff, AZ 86001-8776
(520) 774-1441
Free admission

Tucson Botanical Gardens
2150 North Alvernon Way
Tucson, AZ 85712
(520) 326-9255
Free admission

Arkansas

Garvan Woodland Gardens
498 Arkridge Road
Hot Springs, AR 71913
(888) 530-6873
(501) 623-8101 • (501) 262-1213 (F)
Free admission

California

Descanso Gardens
1418 Descanso Drive
La Canada, CA 91011
(818) 952-4401 • (818) 790-7067 (F)
www.descansogardens.org
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

Japanese Friendship Garden
2215 Pan American Way
Balboa Park San Diego, CA 92101
(619) 232-2721 • (619) 232-0917 (F)
www.niwa.org
Free admission

Matanzas Creek Winery
6097 Bennett Valley Road
Santa Rosa, CA 95404
(800) 590-6464 • (707) 571-0156 (F)
www.matanzascreek.com
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

Mendocino Coast Botanical Gardens
18220 N Highway One
Fort Bragg, CA 95437
(707) 964-4352
Free admission

Quail Botanic Gardens
230 Quail Gardens Drive
Encinitas, CA 92024
(760) 436-3036 • (760) 632-0917 (F)
www.qbgardens.com
Free admission

*Rancho Santa Ana Botanical Garden**
1500 N College Avenue
Claremont, CA 91711-3157
(909) 625-8767
Free admission

Santa Barbara Botanic Garden
1212 Mission Canyon Road
Santa Barbara, CA 93105-2126
(805) 682-4726 • (805) 563-0352 (F)
www.sbbg.org
Free Admission

Strybing Arboretum
9th Ave at Lincoln Way
San Francisco, CA 94122
(415) 661-1316
www.strybing.org
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UC Botanical Garden
200 Centennial Drive
Berkeley, CA 94720-5250
(510) 643-2755 • (510) 642-5045 (F)
www.mip.berkley.edu/garden
Free admission

University of CA
*Botanical Garden-Riverside**
Riverside, CA 92521-0124
(909) 787-3706 • (909) 787-4437 (F)

Colorado

*Betty Ford Alpine Gardens**
183 Gore Creek Drive
Vail, CO 81657
(970) 476-0103 • (970) 476-1685 (F)
www.bettyfordalpinegardens.org
10% discount in gift shop

Denver Botanic Gardens
909 York Street
Denver, CO 80206-3799
(720) 865-3525 • (720) 865-3723 (F)
www.botanicalgardens.org
Free admission

Connecticut

*Boothe Park, Wedding Rose Garden**
5800 Main Street Putney
Stratford, CT 06614

*Elizabeth Park Garden**
150 Walbridge Road
W Hartford, CT 06119

District of Columbia

United States National Arboretum
3501 New York Avenue NE
Washington, DC 20002-1958
(202) 544-8733 • (202) 544-5398 (F)
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

Florida

Fairchild Tropical Garden
10901 Old Cutler Road
Coral Gables, FL 33156
(305) 667-1651 • (305) 661-8953 (F)
www.fairchildgarden.org
Free admission

Flamingo Gardens
3750 South Flamingo Road
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33330
(954) 473-2955 • (954) 473-1738 (F)
Free admission

The Florida Botanical Gardens
12175 125th Street North
Largo, FL 33774
(727) 582-2581 • (727) 582-2149 (F)
www.flbg.org
10% discount in gift shop
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Harry P. Leu Gardens
1920 N Forest Avenue
Orlando, FL 32803-1537
(407) 246-2620 • (407) 246-2849 (F)
www.leugardens.org
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

Heathcote Botanical Gardens Inc
210 Savannah Road
Ft Pierce, FL 34982
561-464-4672
Free admission

McKee Botanical Garden
350 US Highway 1
Vero Beach, FL 32962
(561) 794-0601 • (561) 794-0602 (F)
www.mckeegardens.org
Free admission

The Marie Selby Botanical Gardens
811 South Palm Avenue
Sarasota, FL 34236
(941) 366-5731 • (941) 366-9807 (F)
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

Mounts Botanical Garden
559 N Military Trail
West Palm Beach, FL 33415-1311
(561) 233-1749 • (561) 233-1723 (F)
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10% discount in gift shop, discounted workshops, classes and tours

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1345 Piedmont Avenue, NE
Atlanta, GA 30309
(404) 876-5859 • (404) 876-7472 (F)
www.atlantabotanicalgarden.org
Free admission

*Lockerly Arboretum**
1534 Irwinton Road
Milledgeville, GA 31061
(912) 452-2112

*The State Botanical Garden of Georgia**
2450 South Milledge Avenue
Athens, GA 30605-1624
(706) 542-1244 • (706) 542-3091 (F)
www.uda.edu/botgarden

Hawaii

Lyon Arboretum
3860 Manoa Road
Honolulu, HI 96822-1180
(808) 988-0456 • (808) 988-0462 (F)
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Idaho

Idaho Botanical Garden
2355 N Penitentiary Road
Boise, ID 83712
(208) 343-8649 • (208) 343-3601 (F)
www.idahobotanicalgarden.org
Free admission

Illinois

Anderson Gardens
318 Spring Creek Road
Rockford, IL 61107
(815) 229-9390 • (815) 229-9391 (F)
www.andersongardens.org
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1000 Lake Cook Road
Glencoe, IL 60022
(847) 835-5440 • (847) 835-8923 (F)
www.chicagobotanic.org
Free admission

*George L. Luthy Memorial Botanical Garden**
2218 N Prospect Road
Peoria, IL 61603
(309) 686-3362 • (309) 685-6240 (F)
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Rockford, IL 61102
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The Morton Arboretum
4100 Illinois Route 53
Lisle, IL 60532-1293
www.mortonarb.org
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Free admission

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Ft Wayne, IN 46802-3007
(219) 427-6440 • (219) 427-6450 (F)
www.botanicalconservatory.org
Free admission

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*Bickelhaupt Arboretum**
340 South 14th Street
Clinton, IA 52732-5432
(319) 242-4771 • (319) 242-4771 (F)
www.bickarb.org

Des Moines Botanical Center
909 E River Drive
Des Moines, IA 50316
(515) 323-8900 • (515) 323-8999 (F)
www.botanicalcenter.com
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop
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1875 Peach Avenue
Madrid, IA 50156
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www.iowaarboretum.com
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Kansas

Botanica, The Wichita Gardens
701 N Amidon
Wichita, KS 67203-3199
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177 W. Hickory Street
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(316) 327-8127 • (316) 327-3151 (F)
www.dyckarboretum.org
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Bernheim Arboretum & Research Forest
Hwy 245
Clemont, KY 40110
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Louisiana

The American Rose Society
American Rose Center
8877 Jefferson Paige Road
Shreveport, LA 71119
(318) 938-5402 • (318) 938-5405 (F)
www.ars.org
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

*Biedenharn Museum & Gardens**
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Massachusetts

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Jamaica Plain, MA 02130
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900 Washington Street
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(617) 536-9280 • (781) 235-2084 (F)
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(508) 693-9426 • (508) 693-5772 (F)
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Michigan

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www.bibsociety.org
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13988 Range Line Road
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www.fernwoodbotanical.org
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www.cpp.msu.edu
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www.lsa.umich.edu/mbg
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Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

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www.powellgardens.org
Free admission

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Lincoln, NE 68583-0715
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Reno, NV 89503
(775) 785-4153

New Jersey

*Frelinghuysen Arboretum**
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Morristown, NJ 07962
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www.Parks.Morris.NJ.US
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*Reeves-Reed Arboretum**
165 Hobart Avenue
Summit, NJ 7901
(908) 273-8787
10% discount in gift shop

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Brooklyn Botanic Garden
1000 Washington Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11225-1099
(718) 623-7200
Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

Buffalo Botanical Garden
2655 South Park Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14218-1526
(716) 827-1584
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Mumford, NY 14511-0310
(716) 538-6822
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Hempstead, NY 11550-1090
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(914) 677-5343 • (914) 677-5976 (F)
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New York Botanical Garden
200th St & Southern Blvd
Bronx NY, NY 10458
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Planting Fields Arboretum
Planting Fields Road
Oyster Bay, NY 11771
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www.plantingfields.org
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Ross Park Zoo
185 Park Avenue
Binghamton, NY 13903
(607) 724-5461
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Free admission • 10% discount in gift shop

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Staten Island, NY 10301
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1700 Schlegel Road
Webster, NY 14580
(716) 234-4622

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GET READY FOR THE HARVEST SHOW

Mark your calendars for the 2001 Philadelphia Harvest Show on September 15 – 16 at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. The "Harvest Hoedown" promises a weekend of fun for gardeners of all ages. Here are some things you need to know to make the most of it.

Membership Notes

Important Mailing Coming Your Way

Harvest Show Tickets: Watch your mailbox for your Harvest Show invitation and ticket(s), which should begin arriving at your home in the first week of August. If you have not received this mailing by August 20, please call the Membership Office at (215) 988-8776 or 8832.

Harvest Show Members' Opening Celebration

The Opening Celebration, Friday, September 14, 4 – 7 pm at the Horticulture Center, is an informal gathering of members and their guests to view the Show before it opens to the public.

Your members' ticket(s) can be used for the Opening Celebration on Friday, September 14, or anytime during public hours on Saturday or Sunday. If you would like to bring a guest to the Opening, tickets will be available at the door for $5 each.

Member volunteers will serve wine, cider, and snacks at the Opening Celebration. If you would like to give a hand, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 (*bgullan@pennhort.org*) or Lisa Wiley at (215) 988-8832 (*lwiley@pennhort.org*). Volunteers can choose shifts, 3:30 – 5:30 pm or 5:30 – 7:30 pm, leaving enough time to see the Show. Duties are light. Bring your best smile.

Members' Annual Plant Dividend

Friday, September 14, 4:00 – 7:00 pm

Saturday, September 15, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Everyone's favorite PHS membership benefit! The annual Members' Plant Dividend will again be held during the Philadelphia Harvest Show. This is a great opportunity to find unusual, hard-to-find plants. Plants for the Dividend are grown and donated by PHS members and professional growers in the area. Those who have donated plants or are upper-category members are invited to stop by on Friday, September 14, between 1:00 and 4:00 pm, during Friday's Opening Celebration (4 – 7 pm), and Saturday during Show hours. *Note: the Dividend will not be open on Sunday.* If you would like to donate plants for the Plant Dividend, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

Volunteer at the Harvest Show

Help make the 2001 Philadelphia Harvest Show another bountiful Show. If you'd like to work behind the scenes this year and will be available Wednesday through Sunday, September 12 – 16, please fill out the form on this page and mail to: PHS, 100 North 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, Attn: Betty Greene, or e-mail *bgreene@pennhort.org*

Be a Harvest Show Clerk

Looking for a fun behind-the-scenes job? How about joining the clerks at the 2001 Harvest Show on Friday, September 14 as they handle the important award paperwork for horticulture, design, baked goods/preserved products and youth entries. You will receive clear instructions before and during the Show. This is a great opportunity to meet other PHS members, experienced judges, and friendly volunteers. It's a good introduction to the PHS volunteer experience and only takes a few hours. Please check the appropriate box on the volunteer form or contact Betty Greene, Shows Committee coordinator, at (215) 988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org*

Volunteer at the Harvest Show Shoppe

Do you love people and enjoy selling? Join Bernice A. Murphy, chair of volunteers, at the Harvest Show Shoppe. We need your help for set-up, sales/service, and tear-down. If you are available for one or two shifts, Wednesday through Sunday, September 12 – 16, please check the box on the volunteer form, or contact Shani Risien-Harvey, merchandising assistant, at (215) 988-1613 or *srisien-harvey@pennhort.org*

Ready, Set, Go!

2001 Philadelphia Harvest Show Veggie Races

Show off your harvest as the best—and fastest—of them all! Join us on Saturday and Sunday at the Harvest Show for the expanded Veggie Races, run on two tracks this year. Make your veggie car ahead of time so you can join the fun right away. Get some wheels, carve a chassis in your eggplant, and watch that little guy roll on to victory. It's that simple—and tons of fun. Your "vehicle" must consist of only vegetable, wheels, and whatever connects the wheels to the veggie. No motors or veggies propped up on Hot Wheels cars will be accepted.

Hint #1: Yams are natural downhill racers, but don't overlook a well-constructed cucumber.

Hint #2: Make sure your axles are even and parallel.

Hint #3: Carve out the bottom to avoid "belly-drag."

Hint #4: Make sure that, from hubcap to hubcap, your vehicle will fit on the track (about 4" inches wide).

If you can't make your veggie hot-rod at home, we will have the fixin's right there for you to make one at the Show. Parental supervision is recommended. For more information, please contact Leslie Ferebee at (215) 988-8815 or *lferebee@pennhort.org*

Sign me up to help at the Harvest Show!

Name _____

Address _____

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E-mail _____

Clerks

Friday, 9/14	9:30 am – 12:30 pm	☐

Setup

Wednesday, 9/12	9 am – 4 pm	☐
Thursday, 9/13	9 am – 4 pm	☐

Horticulture Information Booth

Friday, 9/14	4 – 7 pm	☐
Saturday, 9/15	10 am – 5 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	10 am – 5 pm	☐

Entry Aides

Thursday, 9/13	3:15 – 7 pm	☐
Friday, 9/14	7:15 – 10 am	☐

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Information Aides (*Welcome and direct visitors*)

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	5:15 – 7:15 pm	☐
Saturday, 9/15	9:30 am – noon	☐
	noon – 2:30 pm	☐
	2:30 – 5 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	9:30 – noon	☐
	noon – 2:30 pm	☐
	2:30 – 5 pm	☐

Youth Section Aides

Thursday, 9/13	2 – 4:30 pm	☐
	4:30 – 7 pm	☐
Friday, 9/14	7:30 – 10:30 am	☐
Saturday, 9/15	11 am – 3 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	11 am – 3 pm	☐

Children's Activities

Saturday, 9/15	11 am – 4 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	11 am – 4 pm	☐

Veggie Races

Saturday, 9/15	9 am – 5 pm	☐
Sunday, 9/16	9 am – 5 pm	☐

Harvest Shoppe

Wednesday, 9/12 through Sunday, 9/16	9:30 am – 6:30 pm	☐

(3-hour shifts) for set-up, sales/service, take-down.

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS

Wednesday, July 11, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Horticulturist **Laurel Voran** will discuss the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gold Medal Plants growing at Chanticleer. A garden walk and slide presentation will introduce you to these excellent plants, which are selected for their eye-appeal and superb performance in the Delaware Valley. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

CONTAINER GARDENING

Wednesday, July 25, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Container gardening at Chanticleer goes way beyond the ordinary, mingling annuals, perennials, tropicals and subtropical plants in vibrant, highly creative combinations. Horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** will show us how to create successful container gardens and suggest plant combinations for uncommon containers. He'll also cover soil mixes, watering and fertilization. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

THE ARRANGER'S GARDEN

Wednesday, August 1, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

One of the best parts of flower gardening is enjoying the fruits of your labors indoors in colorful, fragrant cut flower arrangements. Join horticulturist **Doug Croft** for a pleasant stroll through Chanticleer's Cut Flower Garden. Doug will discuss creative combinations of annuals, perennials, and shrubs. He'll talk about gardening practices that enable you to fill your home with beautiful floral arrangements throughout the year. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

PLANTS FOR THE POND'S EDGE

Wednesday, August 8, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Joe Henderson, horticulturist at Chanticleer, will devote this program to plants that like "wet feet." We'll tour the pond area and walk the path along the stream. Joe will identify marginal plants that tolerate wet conditions as well as aquatic plants, such as waterlilies, which must be completely submerged. He will also discuss ways to use moisture-loving plants to soften the pond's edge and incorporate the pond into the surrounding landscape. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

☐ Gold Medal Plants	7/11	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Container Gardening	7/25	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ The Arranger's Garden	8/1	Fee: $15/$20	_____
☐ Plants for the Pond's Edge	8/8	Fee: $15/$20	_____
		TOTAL:	$_____

Please send me information on:
☐ 2001 Woody Plant Conference
☐ 2001 Perennials Conference

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Guest: _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Member ID: _____

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CONFERENCES

REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2001 WOODY PLANT CONFERENCE

Friday, July 20, 8:45 am – 4:15 pm
Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College

Mark your calendar for this year's Woody Plant Conference. Speakers include **Carol Franklin**, founding principal of Andropogon Associates, Ltd.; **Casey Sclar**, IPM coordinator at Longwood Gardens; **Stephen Spongberg**, executive director of The Polly Hill Arboretum; **Marco Polo Stufano** of Wave Hill Gardens; and **Tim Wood**, product development manager of Spring Meadow Nursery.

The conference is jointly sponsored by Longwood Gardens, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, Tyler Arboretum, and The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. To receive a brochure, please check off the box on the registration form, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org*. (Attendees of last year's conference will automatically receive a brochure.) **This conference tends to sell out, so register early!**

2001 PERENNIALS CONFERENCE

Friday, October 19, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College

Save this date to learn more about perennials including cutting-edge plant introductions, Internet technology, what the English can and cannot teach us, musical gardens and more! Speakers include **Bill Cullina**, nursery manager at the New England Wildflower Society's Garden in the Woods; **Janet Evans**, library manager for PHS; **Maurice Horn**, co-owner of Joy Creek Nursery; author **Tovah Martin**; landscape architect **Julie Moir Messervy**; and **Chris Woods**, executive director of Chanticleer.

Conference brochures will be available in late July or early August. To request a brochure, please check off the box on the registration form, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org*. (If you have attended this conference in the past few years, you should automatically receive a brochure.)

The very popular conference is fills quickly, so register early!

For more information about activities:
Please call Deborah Fife at (215) 988-8869,
or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org*

Please see back page for registration details.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS Activities, attn: Deborah Fife, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215) 988-8810, phone (215) 988-8869, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org* Fax, phone, and e-mail reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunch programs. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events held away from PHS.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

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BACKYARD GARDENERS CAN SHARE THE HARVEST

Many area shelters need nutritious fresh fruits and vegetables. *Share the Harvest*—a summer volunteer gardening program organized by Philabundance—provides a way for local gardeners to help out. This spring, hundreds of gardeners will sow an extra row in their home gardens to help fight hunger in our region.

Drop-off sites include: Laurel Hill Gardens (Chestnut Hill), Smith & Hawken (Rosemont), Frank's Nursery & Crafts (Springfield), Main Line Gardens, (Malvern), Waterloo Gardens (Exton), Carousel Gardens (Newtown, Bucks County) and Holy Redeemer Provincialate (Huntingdon Valley, Montgomery County). Gardeners interested in participating should call Philabundance at (215) 339-0900 to receive a registration packet, or visit their website at *www.philabundance.org*

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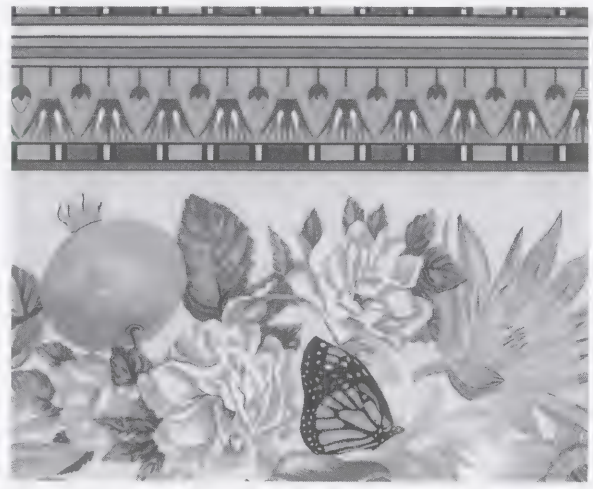
Inspired by garlands of flowers and plants worn on special occasions by the ancient Egyptians, the PHS scarf is made of crepe-backed silk satin. It's available for purchase at PHS headquarters, 100 N. 20th Street, in the merchandising department on the first floor, or you can order it by phone at (215) 988-1613 or e-mail *srisien-harvey@pennhort.org* Price $68. (PHS member price $60).



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THE 2001 PHILADELPHIA HARVEST SHOW

A Harvest Hoedown!

Grab your cowboy hat and kick up your boots for the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Philadelphia Harvest Show on September 15 and 16 at the Horticulture Center in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park. This year's theme is "Harvest Hoedown!" Visit the PHS website, *www.libertynet.org/phs*, for up-to-date information.

PHS's annual Harvest Show promises a weekend of family fun, with exciting competitions, activities and displays. The Show includes over 2,100 stunning floral and harvest displays, all competing for blue ribbons. [*Note: Individual gardeners, groups and clubs are all invited to compete. For entry information call the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society at (215) 988-8800 or visit* www.libertynet.org/phs]

Opening Celebration for Members and Community Gardeners

Please join us at the Horticulture Center for the Opening Celebration on Friday evening, September 14, 4 – 7 pm. This is a free, fun, informal gathering of PHS members and community gardeners. Members and gardeners may bring guests for $5 each.

Annual Plant Dividend

The Members' Annual Plant Dividend will be held at the Harvest Show on Friday, September 14, 4 – 7 pm, and Saturday, September 15, 10 am – 5 pm. This is a great way for PHS members to acquire unusual, hard-to-find perennials, shrubs and trees, including PHS Gold Medal Award winners. For each associate membership, select one complimentary plant; for household memberships and above, choose three plants. We are unable to set aside plants or take telephone orders. Please present your membership card to speed your way through the registration area. [*Note: The Dividend will not be open on Sunday. For more information about the Plant Dividend, please call Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775, or e-mail* ckleiber@pennhort.org]

For the Kids

Youngsters can make scarecrows, paint pumpkins, make miniature flower baskets and other **arts and crafts**, and enjoy the toddler haystacks in the Children's Tent. Children's author and artist Saxton Freymann will appear both Saturday and Sunday to sign copies of his book, *Gus & Button*. The second annual **veggie races** will run daily. Contestants may enter homemade veggie racecars or assemble one with supplies provided at the racetrack. [*For more information on veggie races, please call (215) 988-8821.*]

Shopping & Special Events

You will find a bounty of gifts and items for your home and garden in the expanded **Harvest Marketplace**, with over 50 vendors. Look for the PHS tent for a selection of **Gold Medal Plants**, as well as a wide variety of specially priced PHS items in the **Harvest Shoppe**.

Harvest Show visitors can get helpful gardening tips from the experts at **free lectures and demonstrations** and **educational exhibits**. Many area **plant societies** and organizations will also have displays.

Ikebana International (Philadelphia Chapter 71) will again present an **Ikebana exhibit in the Japanese House**, a short walk from the Horticulture Center. It will be open free

Jim Roese

Visitors admire a "Bounty by the Basket" entry at the 2000 Harvest Show.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

The Philadelphia Harvest Show
Saturday, September 15
and
Sunday, September 16

10 am – 5 pm

Horticulture Center
Horticulture Drive • Fairmount Park

General Admission:
$6 for adults, $2 for children

OCTOBER

16 Ron Morgan lecture (see page 3)
19 Perennials Conference (see page 7)

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

*The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to **improve the quality of life** and create a sense of community through horticulture.*

PEPPERPOT

A Show for Everyone

My gardening passion has always been for vegetables. Somehow, the finer points of garden design have always eluded me, and no matter how hard I try, my "perennial" garden never looks quite right.

But with vegetables I can make the rows nice and straight, and weed to my heart's content, I can spread a mulch of old leaves by the barrowful and I can also reap the benefits of the harvest. All these activities fulfill my needs from gardening—exercise, order, and goods to bring into the kitchen.

To participate as an exhibitor in the Philadelphia Flower Show, one has to have all those design genes, because no one is going to look at an entry unless it's beautiful and stylish. The Philadelphia Harvest Show is another matter. For sure, we have classes where designers and artists strut their stuff in style. But there are also classes for gardeners like me who just like to grow things—be it tomatoes or eggplants or even lima beans. In the Harvest Show schedule, you will find a place to enter almost anything, and I encourage you to do just that.

If you have vegetables that look just wonderful, get out your exhibitor's guide and figure out which classes you will enter. (The guide was sent to all members in May, but if you need another, please call (215) 988-8800 or send an e-mail to Michele Dean at *mdean@pennhort.org*) If you are one of those lucky people with designer genes but have never had the courage to enter the Philadelphia Flower Show, start with the Harvest Show. We love all our exhibitors, especially new ones.

And if you decide entering the Show is not for you, make sure you come as a visitor. To our new members, I extend an especially warm welcome. The Show is fun and you will find activities for all ages, from the farm animals and veggie races for your children or grandchildren to gorgeous bouquets and workshops on gardening that will intrigue older members of the family.

This year's opening celebration is on Friday, September 14 from 4 – 7 pm. I hope to see you there.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

2002 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW SPANS CENTURIES AND CONTINENTS

Next year's Philadelphia Flower Show will be held from March 3 – 10 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia. (Watch the website, *www.theflowershow.com*, for the latest information.) The 2002 theme, "The Pleasures of the Garden," celebrates the Victorian era in gardening. Among the highlights of the Show will be a Victorian-style mansion nestled among lilacs, hyacinth and roses created by J. Cugliotta Landscapes, Inc., as well as an exhibit by His Highness Shaikh Zayed bin Sultan Al-Nahyan of the United Arab Emirates (UAE).

His Highness, a frequent exhibitor at the Chelsea Flower Show in London, will create his first garden in the U.S. at the Philadelphia Flower Show. In keeping with Arab garden tradition, this Central Feature exhibit will include a wall for protection from the elements, trees that provide food and shade, and water for survival. The exhibit, which will include sculpture, will also reflect the UAE's ongoing efforts toward peace and environmental sustainability.

Ed Lindemann

The United Arab Emirates display at this year's Chelsea Flower Show in London.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: PEG KRENGEL

Peg Krengel has been a member of PHS for over 20 years and has served on the Membership Committee, which she now chairs, since the mid-1980s. Over the years, she's seen many changes at PHS. She remembers fielding calls on the Flower Show phone bank during its first year in cramped quarters on Walnut Street, in preparation for the first year at the Convention Center. "One of the most memorable calls was from someone who said they were driving their motor home to the Flower Show from Kansas and wanted directions to Philadelphia," she recalls.

"But one thing that never changes is that PHS members and volunteers are the most amazing people; I've made some wonderful friends," Peg says. "As chair of Membership, I want to make sure that we continue to foster a sense of community among members and volunteers by bringing people together for lectures, celebrations, and other events."

"Most of the Society's core supporters and volunteers started out as members ... Without its members, PHS couldn't really exist."

Peg also serves on the PHS Council, the Education Committee and the Harvest Show Committee. She has won numerous ribbons at the Harvest Show for her baked goods—especially for her lemon muffins. "I'm very proud of my Harvest Show ribbons," she says. "They hang on my kitchen wall at home."

Although Peg keeps only a small herb garden at home in Blue Bell, she has two "adopted" gardens. She chairs the landscape committee of St. Thomas' Church, Whitemarsh, where the 42-acre church grounds include venerable trees going back to William Penn's era. Also, she was recently named president of the Board of Trustees at Highlands, a 44-acre historic site in Fort Washington. "We're working to restore a 2-acre walled garden created by Caroline Sinkler, who lived on the estate during the 1920s and '30s." (PHS awarded a Gold Medal to the garden in 1933.) "It's like finding a hidden dream garden," says Peg.

As the end of the summer approaches, the membership staff is busy sending out renewal reminders. "Aside from the thrill of receiving Flower Show tickets at home, I think the biggest motivating factor that makes PHS members renew their membership is pride," Peg remarks. "They take pride in the Flower Show and PHS, not to mention all of the good things the Society does for the City through Philadelphia Green."

"We want to make sure that each new member becomes a long-term part of the PHS Family. Most of the Society's core supporters and volunteers started out as members," she notes. "Without its members, PHS couldn't really exist."

– Jane Carroll

WORLD-RENOWNED FLORAL DESIGNER RON MORGAN TO SPEAK IN PHILADELPHIA

San Francisco-based floral designer **Ron Morgan** will speak in Philadelphia on **Tuesday, October 16**. Mr. Morgan's floral arrangements are legendary for their creativity, elegance, and visual impact. As a speaker, he is known for his wit, knowledge, and creative talent. This is Morgan's only east-coast appearance in celebration of his new book, *The Center of Attention*.

Ron Morgan

Hosted by the Garden Club of Philadelphia, the lecture will take place at 10 am in the Performing Arts Building at Chestnut Hill Academy, 500 West Willow Grove Avenue in Philadelphia. Following the lecture, Mr. Morgan will present two flower-arranging workshops, at 1:30 pm and 3:30 pm at the Church of St. Martin in the Fields, (800 St. Martin's Lane, at the corner of Willow Grove Avenue in Philadelphia). Proceeds from the lecture and workshops will help fund the planting of perennials and bulbs on the ramparts of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. These plantings will be added to the extensive work already carried out in this landscape restoration, a PHS project in cooperation with the Museum and the Fairmount Park Commission.

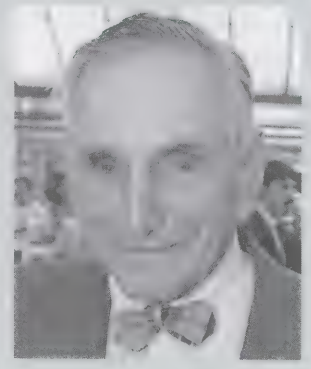
Registration information:

Lecture fee: $40

Workshop fee: $135 (for one workshop; limited to 15 participants)

To register, please make checks payable to the Garden Club of Philadelphia and send to: Mrs. Charles J. Bloom, 418 Mulberry Lane, Haverford, PA 19041-1912. Include your name, address, phone number, and workshop time preference.

NEW HARVEST SHOW AWARD



G. Willing Pepper

The PHS Best in Show Award for Horticulture at the Harvest Show has been renamed in memory of G. Willing "Wing" Pepper—husband of PHS president Jane Pepper—who died in April. Wing, who was often mentioned in Jane's column in the *Philadelphia Inquirer* as "the gardening partner," took great pride in his vegetable garden, especially his lima beans, and often won blue ribbons at the Harvest Show. The award will now be called the *Best in Show Award for Horticulture, Given in Memory of G. Willing "Wing" Pepper by the Guest Family In-Laws Club*. And in case you wonder about membership in the In-laws Club, it's the spouses of Jane's four brothers, who join with Jane's brothers in giving this award. When the family took vacations together in Scotland, Wing formed the In-laws Club to protect the interests of those who had married into the Guest family.

HARVEST SHOW

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of charge to Harvest Show visitors on Friday evening during the Opening Celebration. On Saturday and Sunday during Harvest Show hours, visitors can see the Ikebana exhibit and tour the Japanese House for $1 per person. Harvest Show visitors are also invited to enjoy **tours of historic 18th and 19th century mansions** located in Fairmount Park. *[Note: Reservations are required; please call (215) 684-7926.]*

Directions

Public Transportation

Take SEPTA Route #38 bus to Belmont and Montgomery. Walk from Montgomery to North Horticulture Drive and go through the gates to the Horticulture Center.

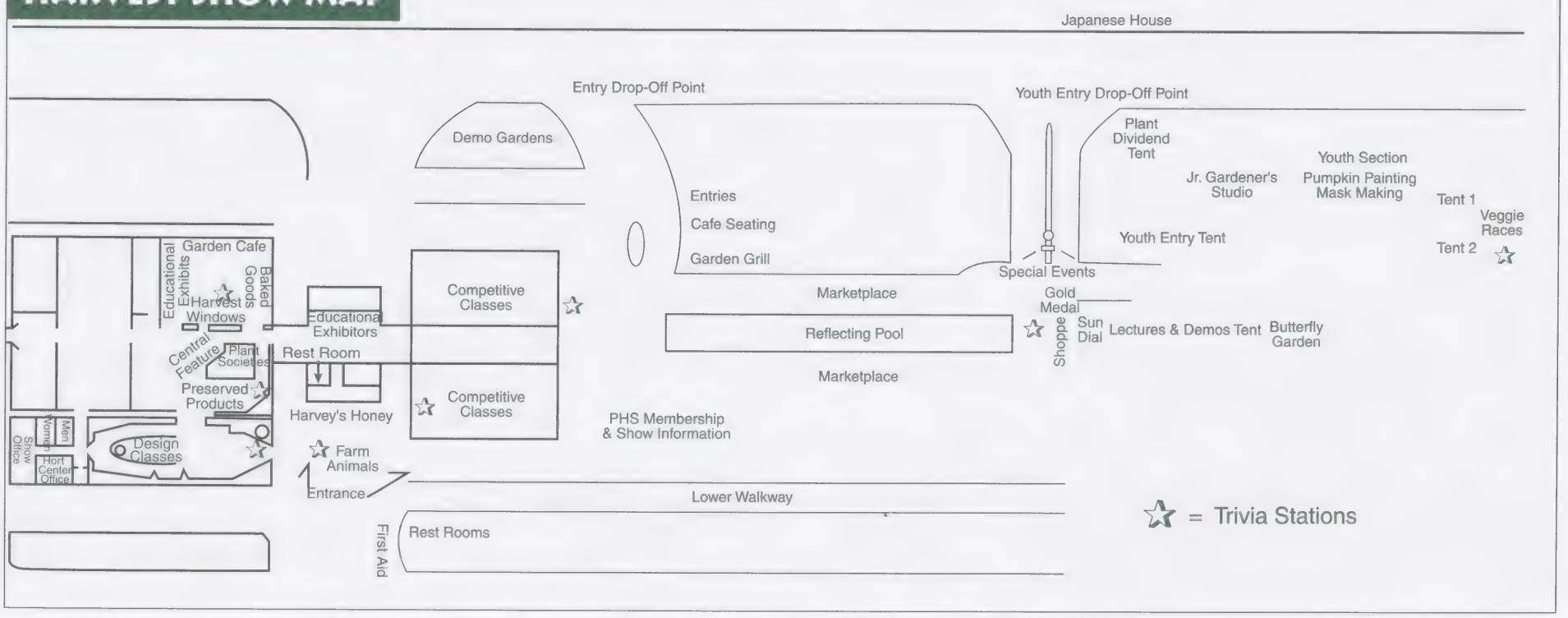
By Car

Via I-76 West: Exit at Montgomery Drive; turn left onto Montgomery Drive; take first left onto Horticultural Drive and follow the signs.

Via I-76 East: Exit at Montgomery Drive; turn right onto Montgomery Drive; take first left onto Horticultural Drive and follow the signs.

Via Belmont Avenue from Western Suburbs: Belmont Avenue to Montgomery Drive; take a left onto Montgomery Drive; first right onto Horticultural Drive and follow the signs.

HARVEST SHOW MAP



20,000 TREES ALONG THE LEAGUE

Okay, maybe not quite that many—but under Philadelphia Green's management, 334 trees and 3,270 shrubs and perennials are being planted as part of the League Island Boulevard project. Curving east of Broad Street amid views of enormous ships, towering dockside cranes, and long vistas of the Delaware River, the new boulevard will provide access to the Naval Business Center that is taking shape at the southern terminus of Broad Street.

Pete Prown

A tree-flanked sign marks the entrance to the new Naval Business Center in South Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia Industrial Development Corporation (PIDC) is developing the Naval Business Center on the site of the former Naval Base, where a continuing US Navy presence is joined by the private shipbuilder, Kvaerner. New businesses and industries have begun to occupy the buildings no longer needed by the armed forces. PIDC hired the Streets Department to oversee construction of the new boulevard, and the department, in turn, brought Philadelphia Green on board to tag trees, approve placement and planting methods, and monitor changes to the original plan.

Phase I, completed in April and May, comprised a lush entrance planting. Workers and visitors to the Naval Business Center are now greeted with an assemblage of mostly native plants. The tree selection includes American hornbeam, yellowwood, and river birch, with hollies, pines and cedars providing an evergreen presence. Roses, hydrangeas, yews and cotoneasters are among the more than 20 varieties of shrubs. Below the trees, perennials and grasses—such as aster, coneflowers, miscanthus and pennisetum—will provide lots of color and texture in the years to come.

Along the Boulevard itself, a lovely variety of trees were planted in spring, including red and sugar maples, white and shingle oaks, lindens and hackberries. In fall, the tree planting will continue as construction of the boulevard is completed. The trees are planted in wide grassy areas, so they should have plenty of room to spread their roots and grow to grand boulevard size.

Alma Plummer, PIDC project manager for the Office of Defense Conversion, is thrilled with the new image the landscape gives the Business Center. "We view this as an excellent way to attract new investment. It's a new front door for the 4,000 people who already work here, and a great way to entice more businesses to join them."

So why in the world is the new road named League Island Boulevard? The league refers not to the athletic teams that play nearby; it's the antique term for a distance of three miles. That was the circumference of the landmass before fill was added, attaching it to mainland Philadelphia. It's no longer a league or an island, but it's definitely a boulevard, and a grand one at that.

– Nancy Q. O'Donnell

PHS MEMBERS TRIPS

Each year PHS members and guests can choose from an exciting array of extended tours in the United States and abroad. Each PHS trip has a horticultural focus, providing opportunities to visit outstanding private and public gardens throughout the world, accompanied by expert guides and experienced tour leaders. The trips provide access to extraordinary gardens and homes that you could not see on your own. All tours are advertised in the *PHS News* and through Society mailings. Mark your calendar now for these exciting trips being planned for 2002 and 2003.

France

In June 2002, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members to the wine-producing region of Burgundy, France, to visit private gardens, impressive chateau gardens, and the cloistered garden of Fontenay, as well as cities with magnificent medieval architecture. We will pass through the scenic wine country of the Côte D'Or and the Côte de Beaune and taste the famous wine at Fuissé. We will sample cheese at Epoisses and take a boat ride on the Saone river from Chalon to Tournus. Members will stay in the old city of Dijon, in Tournus and at La Côte St. Jacuqes in Joigney. Tour leaders Nancy Hastings and Lana Crawford have run French tours for PHS in prior years. Ms. Crawford has lived in Paris for more than two decades.

United States

In early June, join us for a four-day trip to the Pittsburgh area to visit private and public gardens, as well as two fascinating Frank Lloyd Wright houses.

Germany

From June 25 to July 9, 2002, PHS membership manager Betsy Gullan and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will lead a tour to Germany. We'll travel from Berlin and Potsdam in the north, through the Stuttgart area, Lake Constance, and then to Munich. In the Lake Constance area, we will spend time in Switzerland along the south shore in addition to visiting the German islands of Mainau and Reichenau. We'll visit outstanding private and public gardens, sophisticated cities like Berlin and Munich, farm gardens in the country, and charming timbered villages.

Scotland

In 2003, Jane Pepper will team up with Micky and Patsy Blacklock of Scottish Gardens and Castles Tours, who have been running tours for PHS since 1991.

On this trip, members will visit gardens in Argyll, where tender plants such as large-leaf rhododendron and blue poppy thrive in a climate protected by the Gulf Stream. The trip will include a three-day visit to East Lothian, where Jane was raised. Here the climate is less balmy than that of Argyll, but the gardens are just as beautiful. We will spend a few final nights in Edinburgh.

Italy

In May, 2003, join membership manager Betsy Gullan and Jean Lenehan for a tour of gardens in Italy, including the beautiful region of Tuscany.

More information about all tours will appear in future issues of *PHS News*. Itineraries for the 2002 tours will be mailed this fall. If you have traveled with PHS before, or if you have requested that your name be added to the trip mailing list, you will receive copies of the itineraries automatically. If you are not on the mailing list and would like to request an itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*

ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for the Society's 174th Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, November 13, at 5 pm** at PHS, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. We will elect new Council members, take up other committee business, and celebrate the recipients of the Society's awards.

At its June 27 meeting, the Council approved the nomination of the following members for re-election to second three-year terms: Anna Marie Amey, Joe Cugliotta, Anna Hillman, Scott Jenkins, J. Liddon Pennock, Jr., John Steptoe, and Larry Stier.

In addition, the Nominating Committee will place in nomination for three-year terms the following persons: *Note: three-year terms begin November 13, 2001.*

John K. Ball is chairman, president and CEO of R. M. Shoemaker Co. He is a director of the General Building Contractors Association, the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, and MidAtlantic Employers' Association. He also is a member of PHS's Preview Dinner Committee.

David Hollander is managing partner for Accenture in Philadelphia, where he is responsible for the company's Claim Solution Group. In addition to serving on PHS's Preview Dinner Committee, Dave is on the board of Greater Philadelphia First and the United Way.

Midge Ingersoll completed her term as chair, Competitive Classes, at the 2001 Flower Show. She now serves as vice-chair of the Flower Show Executive Committee for the 2002 and 2003 Shows. A freelance artist specializing in architectural renderings, Midge is active on the Moorestown Historical Preservation Committee.

Barbara J. Kaplan served as executive director of the Philadelphia City Planning Commission for 17 years. She is currently a board member of the Center for Literacy and the Neighborhood Gardens Association. Barbara is finishing a two-year term as PHS Council vice-chair.

John Kiely is a partner in the accounting firm of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. He served on the Executive Committee of the Pennsylvania Institute of Certified Public Accountants and currently is a member of PHS's Finance Committee.

Ann L. Reed is a partner with P&R Associates (communications specialists). She serves on the Advisory Board of Managers of the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania and the Chanticleer Foundation Board. Ann is a member of the Garden Club of Philadelphia and was chair of PHS Council from 1997 through 2000.

Henry F. Reichner is a commercial litigation partner at Reed Smith LLP. Hank's involvement with PHS includes co-chairing the Preview Dinner Junior Committee and serving on the Azalea Garden Party Committee. He most recently headed the Finance Committee's project to select an auditor for PHS.

Mark Ward is a vice president with First Union's Private Capital Management Group and is a member of the Flower Show Executive Committee. He began attending the Philadelphia Flower Show in 1968, and for the last 10 to 15 years, he has distributed signs—and more recently, director's chairs—for the Show's major exhibitors.

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PLEASE RETURN YOUR SIGNED PROXY, WE NEED YOUR VOTE!

PROXY FORM

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Annual Meeting of Members, November 13, 2001

The undersigned hereby appoints Anne B. Kellett, Jane G. Pepper, and Jack Blandy, each of them the true and lawful attorneys of said member, with full power of substitution to vote at the Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, to be held at 5pm on Tuesday, November 13, 2001, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present:

1. For the election of Council Members, all adult members of household should sign.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

All adult members of household should sign: _____

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Please return no later than November 9, 2001 to PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103.

THANKS TO OUR 2001 GARDEN VISIT HOSTS

PHS wishes to thank the generous garden owners who opened their gardens to PHS members for this year's Spring Garden Visits. Many thanks, too, to all the volunteers who make this program possible, especially our planners: Linda Corson, Barbara Juda, Carol McConomy, Mary Ann Thomas, and Garden Visits coordinator Anna Marie Amey.

Sunday, May 6

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Benzel
Frogmore, John and Ann Swan
Marlborough Farm, Mr. & Mrs. C. G. Berwind
Mr. & Mrs. John Milner
Stoney Bank Nursery, Mr. & Mrs. Jack Blandy
SuRal Farm, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Roberts

Sunday, May 20

Arlene and Andrew Clausen
Cedaridge Farm, Carolyn and Derek Fell
Fordhook Farm
Lynn and William Goldman, Jr.
Rivercliff, Susan and Chris Goodrich

Sunday, June 17

Jane Gourley
Marie Holman
Ann and Donald McPhail
Joanne Ruddy and Victor F. Keen
The Spring Gardens

HELPING PHS THROUGH THE UNITED WAY

Fall marks the kick-off of the annual United Way campaign, and through the Donor Option program, you can direct your United Way pledge or outright contribution to PHS.

Each year PHS receives nearly $10,000 in gifts through the Donor Option program. We hope you will consider directing your 2001 United Way gift to PHS. Simply note our Donor Option ID #06197 on your United Way pledge card.

Your contribution will help support the Society's urban greening program, Philadelphia Green, which works with communities throughout Philadelphia to beautify public spaces, parks, and neighborhoods.

FLOWER SHOW SYMPOSIUM FOR ARTISTIC CLASSES

Wednesday, October 24, 10 am
"The Pleasures of Flower Show Arranging"

Discover the joy of creating flower arrangements for the Philadelphia Flower Show. This informative program will focus on design mechanics and some special design styles. The speaker, Jane Godshalk, is a gardener and passionate flower arranger. She is a frequent exhibitor at the Philadelphia Flower Show and Philadelphia Harvest Show and has won a number of blue ribbons and special awards. She has certificates from Longwood Gardens in ornamental plants and floral design. The program is free; **no reservations are needed**. It will take place at PHS, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia. For more information, please contact Betty Greene at (215) 988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org*

DEMONSTRATION

SPECIALIZED PRUNING: ESPALIER, TOPIARY AND HEDGES

Thursday, September 20, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

The private garden of **J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.** at Meadowbrook Farm features numerous examples of carefully trained plants. Ted Zoltowski, horticulturist at Meadowbrook Farm, will discuss the pruning methods and cultural techniques used in caring for these fascinating, long-lived specimen plants. Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members; $20 non members.

WALKS

GRASSES AND BAMBOO

Wednesday, September 12, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join horticulturist **Lisa Roper** to explore the amazing diversity of bamboos and grasses in the late summer splendor of Chanticleer. We will discuss cultural requirements and design possibilities as we view bamboos in the Asian woods and grasses in the mixed borders, gravel gardens, containers, and the newly planted grass garden. We will look at variations in texture, form and color, exploring the many ways that grasses and bamboo can be integrated into the garden. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

EVENING DIRECTOR'S WALK AT CHANTICLEER

Wednesday, October 17, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join Chanticleer executive director **Chris Woods** for an early evening stroll through the Chanticleer estate pleasure garden. Highlights of early fall include late-blooming perennials and grasses, autumn foliage, water gardens and a courtyard lush with foliage, flowers, and the fragrance of rare tropical plants. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members. Register early!

IN THE GARDEN

EARLY FALL AT HEDGLEIGH SPRING

Saturday, September 29, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Swarthmore, PA

The Cresson garden is the product of more than 100 years of family stewardship. The garden's design and older specimens mostly date from between 1920 and 1950, while the plant collection has been greatly expanded within this framework. The diverse plant collection provides color throughout the year, and in September, will feature fall-blooming bulbs and late-season perennials. **Charles Cresson** will lead us through this exquisite, intensely planted masterpiece.

Charles Cresson is a garden designer, award-winning author, and nationally known lecturer. He has worked for the Royal Horticultural Society, W. Atlee Burpee & Co, Winterthur and Chanticleer. Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members: $25 non-members.

HARDY CAMELLIA BREEDING AT HEDGLEIGH SPRING

Saturday, November 3, 1:30 – 3:30 pm
Swarthmore PA

Charles Cresson has been breeding hardy camellias for more than twenty years at his fabulous family garden in Swarthmore. Join Charles for a look at his collection of fall-blooming camellias at their peak. Learn what he looks for as he selects the best varieties to grow in our region for fall and spring bloom. Fee: Members $20; non-members $25

MAXIMIZE FALL AND PREPARE FOR WINTER AND SPRING

Saturday, October 6, 10:00 am – 12:00 noon
Bryn Mawr, PA

Join **Fran Sorin** in her garden as she evaluates this year's successes and prepares for next spring. Fran will discuss dividing and transplanting spring-blooming perennials, revamping parts of the garden, selecting and planting unusual spring bulbs, and preparing the soil. She will also demonstrate how to use ornamental grasses and plants with colorful foliage to heighten the visual impact of your fall garden. Each participant will receive a free bulb.

Garden designer Fran Sorin is gardening expert for *OurHouse.com* and *iVillage.com* and has appeared on NBC's *Weekend Today*. She has also appeared on HGTV, Discovery, Lifetime and FOX-TV. She is presently writing her first book and developing her own gardening show. Limit 18. Fee: $28 for members; $30 for non-members.

LECTURES

WONDERFUL GARDENS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM—TRAVEL WITH PHS

Thursday, October 11, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

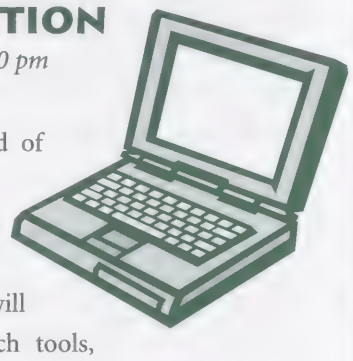
Jane Pepper and **John Swan** team up to take you on an exciting slide expedition to England and Scotland. See the exceptional gardens visited by PHS on trips abroad and discover the gardens Jane and John loved best.

PHS President Jane Pepper, a native of Scotland, holds an MS in public horticulture administration from the Longwood Graduate Program, as well as undergraduate degrees in plant science and landscape design from the University of Delaware and Temple University.

John Swan has a long association with PHS, from serving on various Flower Show committees to assisting with educational programs and trips. His fascinating Chester County garden, Frogmore, is the site of numerous garden visits. It was seen by PHS members this past May. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 this evening. The lecture will be followed by light refreshments and wine with Jane and John.

WEB ESSENTIALS: AN INTRODUCTION



Wednesday, November 7, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

There's a wide, wide world of gardening information on the World Wide Web. Do you know how to find it? PHS librarian **Janet Evans** will demonstrate Internet search tools, explain effective search strategies, and provide tips on evaluating information on the Internet. We'll look at websites of interest to gardeners in the Mid-Atlantic region. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

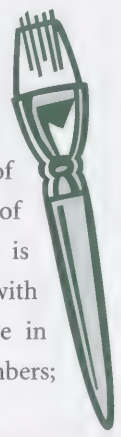
Janet Evans is library manager of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and editor of "The Wired Gardener"—a free, monthly electronic newsletter that features reviews of gardening websites. Her e-mail address is *jevans@pennhort.org*

The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 this evening. The lecture will be followed by a reception with light refreshments.

WORKSHOPS

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION

Six Tuesdays, October 30 through December 4, 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm, Chanticleer, Wayne, PA



Botanical illustrator **Louisa Rawle Tiné** will teach this six-session course in botanical watercolor, emphasizing realistic portrayal of botanical subjects and traditional methods of dry-brush watercolor painting. Instruction is highly individualized and geared for students with some art background or previous experience in botanical illustration. Limit: 15. Fee: $190 members; $210 non-members. Register early!

BROWN BAG LUNCH

SUCCESS WITH SUCCULENTS

Thursday, October 25, 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Everyone should grow succulents! They are fascinating living plants that will enliven your home during the winter months, demanding very little care in return. When you look at succulents and see their fat, ugly (to some) leaves, you are not seeing the true value of these misunderstood plants. The pleasures generated by succulent collections are largely due to each plant's peculiarities. **Bernie Wiener**, member of Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society, will give each participant a plant, inviting them to get up close and personal with this unusual plant family. Fee: $5. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea.

FALL TREE CARE FOR THE HOME GARDENER

Thursday, November 8, 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

ISA certified arborist **Lou Giroud** will discuss the keys to healthy trees. He'll cover basics such as selecting the right tree for your landscape, detecting signs of tree problems, coping with insects and diseases, and pruning. He'll also discuss how knowledge of tree biology and spray alternatives have changed tree care. Ample time will be provided for questions and problem solving. Lou Giroud is founder and president of Giroud's Tree Service. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5

CONFERENCE

2001 PERENNIALS CONFERENCE

Friday, October 19, 9 am – 4 pm
Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College

Learn about cutting-edge plant introductions, Internet technology, musical gardens and more! Speakers include **Bill Cullina**, nursery manager at the New England Wildflower Society's Garden in the Woods; **Janet Evans**, library manager for PHS; **Maurice Horn**, co-owner of Joy Creek Nursery; author **Tovah Martin**; landscape architect **Julie Moir Messervy**; and **Chris Woods**, executive director of Chanticleer.

To request a brochure, please check off the box on the registration form, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org* **The very popular conference is fills quickly, so register early!**

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☐ Wonderful Gardens in the United Kingdom	10/11	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Web Essentials: An Introduction	11/7	Fee: $20/$25	_____
☐ Botanical Illustration with Louisa Rawle Tiné	10/30 – 12/4	Fee: $190/$210	_____
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Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events held away from PHS.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call Deborah Fife at (215) 988-8869, or e-mail *programreg@pennhort.org*

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP FORMING IN McLEAN LIBRARY

Do you like to read and discuss books worth talking about? Join us in a new discussion group, **Stories From the Garden.** Each month, we'll read and discuss works having something to do with gardens, plants, or the land. This year, selections will include works by Tom Stoppard, Eudora Welty, Michael Pollan, John McPhee, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Colette, and others.

The group will meet the **first Thursday evening of each month, beginning October 4, 5:30 – 7:30 pm** in the McLean Library on the first floor of PHS Headquarters, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia. Meetings are free and open to the public, but registration is required. Participants must obtain their books and read each month's selection prior to discussion. Books will be available for purchase in the McLean Library. Limit: 20 registrants.

For more information or to register, please contact McLean Library at (215) 988-8772 or e-mail *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*

HOLIDAY TREE DECORATING CHALLENGE

Garden Clubs are invited to join in Friend Hospital's First Annual Holiday Tree Decorating Challenge this December. Friends Hospital will provide trees and the decorating theme. Garden Clubs provide the decorations and lights. Decorating dates will be December 5 and 6 and an award luncheon will be held on December 7. Interested Garden Clubs are asked to **RSVP by Friday, September 7** by calling Mona Gold at (215) 831-4682. More details will be forwarded at that time.

McLEAN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale on **Wednesday, November 7** from 10am to 6pm. Buy new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. Take advantage of this annual event to do some early holiday shopping. Eriko Takahashi, former conservator at the Library, will demonstrate the fascinating art of Japanese gift wrapping at 12 noon in the Library. Janet Evans, Library Manager, will conclude the day's activities with "Web Essentials: An Introduction" at 6pm in the PHS auditorium. (*Registration is required for the evening lecture. See Activities & Events on page 7 for details.*) For more information about the Book Sale, please contact Jane Alling, Public Services Librarian, at (215) 988-8772 or e-mail: *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT FRIENDS HOSPITAL

On Saturday, November 10th, from 10 am to 2 pm, Friends Hospital will hold its second annual "Gardening with Friends," a fall cleanup of the Hospital's 100-acre campus. Adults and children are needed to participate in light gardening tasks such as raking, weeding, pruning and mulching. Lunch will be included. The healing gardens, which feature 20,000 azaleas, 245 kinds of trees and 275 species of shrubs, have been a critical part of the Hospital's treatment since it opened its doors in 1813. *For more information or to volunteer, please call Friends Hospital at (215) 831-7803.*

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VOLUNTEERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to this special "thank you" issue of *PHS News*. Here, we celebrate the efforts of thousands of volunteers who help the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society run the events and programs that fill our calendars all year long. From serving on committees to planting bulbs at City Hall to volunteering at the Flower Show (as 3,500 people did this year), volunteers help PHS fulfill its mission of improving the quality of life in our region.

In this issue, you will also find a list of those who made donations to PHS as a tribute to loved ones or friends.

From all of us at PHS, our heartfelt thanks!

SAVE THE DATE

Noted garden writer Tovah Martin will give a lecture on Victorian Gardens on Thursday, January 31 at 6 pm in the PHS auditorium. Watch the January *PHS News* for further details.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Carrying On

As I write this, we are a week past September 11th. As I reflect on this tragic time, I mourn, with all staff members at PHS, for those who are dead or lost. We are grateful for family and friends who are safe and grateful, too, to those who bear the awesome responsibilities of clearing the wreckage and getting our systems back into operation.

On the day of the hijackings, at the request of the Mayor's office, we asked everyone to leave our headquarters. That afternoon, I came home to the two features in life that I perceived as solid—my garden and Buster, my big black poodle. I couldn't bear to watch one more image on television, so we spent most of the afternoon outside. Buster was on the eternal search for a groundhog under the tool shed. I was picking beans, digging weeds and watering, trying to gain comfort from the soil.

On September 11th, we were halfway through set-up for the Harvest Show. The tents were up, our volunteer painting crew was hard at work, and our pumpkin supplier was about to load his trucks. We thought long and hard about whether to cancel, but eventually decided to continue as planned because of the comfort we hoped the show could bring to exhibitors and visitors.

It poured on the morning of entry day, but this didn't deter our exhibitors. There was a simple satisfaction in getting together, and throughout the weekend, under blue skies, visitors said how glad they were that we had gone through with the show. Parents of young children were especially grateful to the opportunity to let their kids paint pumpkins, make seed masks and enjoy running around the open spaces of the Horticulture Center. Following the show, PHS gave the net gate receipts to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

By the time you read this newsletter, who knows what state our world will be in. I do know, however, that PHS and its members and volunteers will continue to do what we do best—using horticulture to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community, adding a bit of peace and comfort to our world in these most troubling times.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS president*

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

Introducing the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society

Who was Elizabeth S. Schaffer? Elizabeth S. Schaffer (1808-1897) was a Philadelphia philanthropist and the sister of William L. Schaffer, who served as president of PHS from 1868 to 1884. In 1886, Miss Schaffer presented the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society with its first "planned gift"—Horticultural Hall, where PHS had its headquarters from 1867 to 1893. Miss Schaffer retained ownership of the property during PHS's residency there, and when it was sold, the revenue was placed in a trust that continues to support the Society and its programs more than 100 years later. (The ornate Hall was located at Broad & Walnut Streets in Center City; it was destroyed by fire in 1893.)

A planned or deferred gift, like the one so thoughtfully made by Miss Schaffer, is arranged during a donor's lifetime, but the benefit to PHS is deferred to a future date. Planned gifts such as bequests, gift annuities, gifts of life insurance, charitable remainder trusts and charitable lead trusts all provide vital support to the Society, while offering significant financial benefits to the donor. In upcoming issues of *PHS News,* you'll find more information about various types of planned gifts and how they can benefit the Society.

In honor of Miss Schaffer's contribution, PHS has established the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society to recognize the generosity of individuals who have included PHS in their estate plans. We invite you to join this very special group. If you have named PHS in your will or have planned a deferred gift, please let us know so we can thank you and welcome you to the Schaffer Society. Society members will receive invitations to special events and recognition in the Annual Report. For additional information about the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society, or about how you can make a gift to PHS, please call the Development office at (215) 988-8819.

– Suzanne Betts, Development director

ANNUAL AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is pleased to announce the following awards for 2001, presented to special friends of the Society.

Distinguished Achievement Medal

Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton's work and generosity have helped advance horticulture in the Delaware Valley and beyond. "Dodo," as she is affectionately known, has been a mainstay of the Competitive Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show for many years, as illustrated by her numerous trophies—including six consecutive horticultural sweepstakes awards. She has been a friend to horticultural education, especially at the Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades, and to many public gardens and landscapes in the Delaware Valley. She has supported landscape restoration projects at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania.

Certificates of Merit

Charles Cresson is an author, consultant, teacher, and volunteer. He serves as a passer, judge, and a member of the Nomenclature Committee for the Philadelphia Flower Show, as well as a judge for the Harvest Show. As a professional horticulturist, Charles has consulted at Chanticleer and has been on staff at gardens such as the Winterthur Museum, Garden & Library and the Royal Horticultural Society's Garden at Wisley. He is also the author of the award-winning *Ornamental Trees* and *Charles Cresson on the American Flower Garden.* Charles graciously opens his beautiful garden in Swarthmore for PHS members and many other groups.

Linda and Walt Fisher both have made outstanding contributions to horticulture and horticultural activities. Walt has served as a member of the PHS Council, Executive Committee, and Flower Show Executive Committee and has chaired the Flower Show and Harvest Show. And, who could not enjoy Walt's slide shows? Linda has given her time and endless enthusiasm to making PHS a wonderful place for volunteers. She has chaired the Phone Bank for the Flower Show, the Baked Goods Section for the Harvest Show, and has served tirelessly on the Membership Committee.

New Kensington Community Development Corporation became a pioneer in neighborhood-based vacant land management when it partnered with Philadelphia Green in 1995. Since then, New Kensington CDC has reduced its original inventory of more than 1,100 vacant and blighted lots by nearly 60 percent. Working with Greensgrow, the organization also helped create the City's first hydroponic urban farm on a former industrial site. With strong leaders like Sandy Salzman and Paul Malvey, dedicated staff and Board members and committed residents, New Kensington CDC is a local and national leader in vacant land management.

Lily Yeh is founder and director of The Village of Arts and Humanities, which she started in a distressed North Philadelphia community 14 years ago. With a vision for the Village "to build a community through innovative arts, education, social and economic development, and construction programs," Lily and her partners started in 1986 with a sculpture garden and wall mural on an abandoned lot. Since then, Lily has led the Village in its impressive growth as an organization (from two staff members to its present 15), in the creation of parks, garden spaces, and a tree farm, as well as a wide range of youth and adult programs.

– Betsie Blodgett

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Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from March 4–10, 2002. If you would like to help, check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

- ☐ **Exhibitor Aides:** Help exhibitors transport plants from D Hall to the freight elevator and entry area. Entry level job.
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Whistle while you work! If you love people and enjoy selling, we invite you to join all the other happy Special Volunteers at the 2002 Flower Show Shoppe. We need you for:

- ☐ Sales & Service
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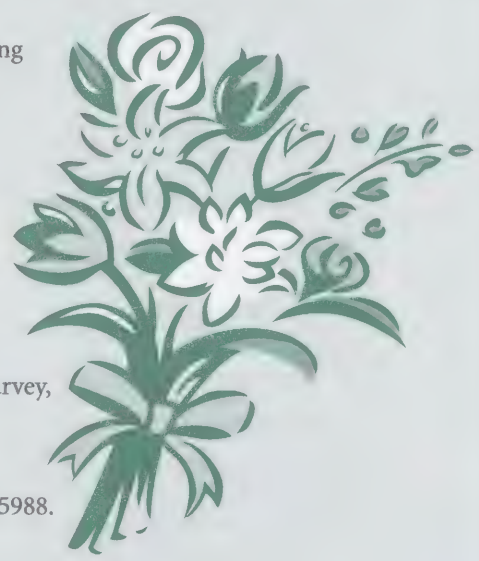

Orientation and training sessions will be held.
We look forward to seeing you!

There are four easy ways to sign up:

- Check off your interest on this form and mail to Shani Risien-Harvey, PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103.
- Send the form by fax to (215) 988-8783.
- Call Bernice A. Murphy, chair of Shoppe volunteers, at (610) 446-5988.
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2002 FLOWER SHOW ARTISTIC WORKSHOPS

For Experienced and New Exhibitors

You are invited to attend a series of workshops in preparation for the 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show, *The Pleasures of the Garden*. Workshop sessions, under the direction of Donna Edwards and Jo Kane, will be held in Spring House, PA at the home of Hope Fox Coates. These free, informal workshops, on four Wednesdays and two Saturdays, will be held from 10:00 am to noon. The speakers will give a short talk at 10:30.

Class Advisors and members of the Passing Committee will answer questions and share their expertise. Bring a friend! For directions and more information, please call Hope Fox Coates at (215) 643-1071.

Wednesday, January 23:	*What's New* (new Flower Show information) and *A Perfect Fit* (using backgrounds effectively)
Wednesday, January 30:	*How Did You Do That?* (mechanics) and *Passing Zone* (the whys and whens of passing)
Wednesday, February 6:	*And There Shall Be Light* (lighting)
Saturday, February 9:	*Creativity Workshop* (medium niche arrangements)
Wednesday, Feburary 13:	*Caution: Flowers on Board* (How to transport your entry to the Show)
Saturday, February 16:	*Open* (Try out your exhibit in the niches; talk to advisors)
Wednesday, February 20:	*Open*

GROWING YOUR FUTURE

The third annual "Growing Your Future" event was held on Wednesday, October 3 at the Horticultural Center in Fairmount Park. Two-hundred and twenty area eighth-grade students, along with 30 high-school mentors from Saul and Lincoln high schools, explored career options in the environmental and horticultural fields. Philadelphia Green co-sponsored the event along with Penn State Cooperative Extension, the Fairmount Park Commission, Bartlett Tree Experts, PA Urban & Community Forestry Council, the National Tree Trust, the USDA Forest Service, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, and the School District of Philadelphia.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

PHS Trips

Gardens of Germany: Hannover to Munich
June 25 – July 9, 2002

Join us for an exciting garden tour to Germany, from June 25 through July 7, 2002, featuring private and public gardens in Hannover, Stuttgart, Freiburg, Lindau on Lake Constance, and Munich. We'll see sophisticated cities, charming villages, and breathtaking scenery, wending our way from Hannover in the north through the Romantic Road and the Black Forest region. We'll visit lovely towns and islands on Lake Constance and travel through the Bavarian Alps into Munich.

Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership Manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, will accompany the group. Erika Shank, a German-born photographer and gardener from Long Island, will be our guide.

Burgundy: Gardens of Delight
June 7 – 19, 2002

In June 2002, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members to the wine-producing region of Burgundy, France to visit private gardens, impressive chateau gardens, and the cloistered garden of Fontenay, as well as cities with magnificent medieval architecture. We will pass through the scenic wine country of the Côte D'Or and the Côte de Beanue and taste the fanous wine at Fuissé. We will sample cheese at Epoisses and take a boat ride on the Saone River from Chalon to Tournus. Members will stay in the old city of Dijon, in Tournus and at La Côte St. Jacques in Joigney. Tour leaders Nancy Hastings and Linda Crawford have run French tours for PHS in prior years. Ms. Crawford has lived in Paris for more than two decades.

photo: Erika Shank

Buddleia alternifolia 'Maxim' in bloom at the Botanical Gardens in Munich, Germany.

To receive a copy of either itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or e-mail *bgullan@pennhort.org* Why not consider these trips as a very special holiday gift?

Note: PHS will host a lecture on the Gardens of Germany on January 10. See page 11 for details.

Give a PHS Membership for the Holidays

A PHS membership makes a great holiday gift. Most PHS memberships include ticket(s) to the Philadelphia Flower Show and the Philadelphia Harvest Show; a subscription to *PHS News* and *Green Scene* magazine; free plant(s) at the annual Plant Dividend; borrowing privileges in the McLean Library; and special member prices for lectures, workshops, field trips and tours. (Specific benefits are determined by membership category.) To purchase a gift membership for someone on your holiday list, please call the membership office at (215) 988-8776 or 8832.

Special Offer from Smith & Hawken

Start your holiday shopping at Smith & Hawken, which will hold receptions and offer special shopping privileges for PHS members on **Sunday, November 11, 5 – 7 pm**. PHS members will receive a 20% discount on merchandise purchased that evening at three Smith & Hawken locations: Bryn Mawr (Rosemont), 1225 Montrose Avenue; the Court of King of Prussia, 449-451 Mall Boulevard; and Princeton at Market Fair Shopping Center. *Note: The Manayunk location will not be a part of this promotion, and catalog orders are excluded.*

Please bring your membership card for admission, along with your Smith & Hawken invitation (which will arrive in the mail).

At Smith & Hawken stores outside the Delaware Valley, members may present the S & H postcard for the 20% discount during regular store hours on November 11.

Vendor Discounts

The updated list of vendors offering discounts to PHS members year-round is now available. For a copy, please contact the membership office at (215) 988-8776 or 8832, or e-mail *bgullan@pennhort.org*

McLEAN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale on **Wednesday, November 7** from 10 am to 6 pm in the McLean Library at 20th and Arch Streets. Buy new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. Take advantage of this annual event to do some early holiday shopping. Eriko Takahashi, former conservator at the Library, will demonstrate the fascinating art of Japanese gift wrapping at 12 noon in the Library. Janet Evans, Library Manager, will conclude the day's activities with "Web Essentials: An Introduction" at 6pm in the PHS auditorium. (*Registration is required for the evening lecture. See Activities & Events on page 11 for details.*) For more information about the Book Sale, please contact Jane Alling, at (215) 988-8772 or e-mail *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*

ELSEWHERE

■ *Revitalizing the North Delaware Riverfront*

The Pennsylvania Environmental Council will sponsor a public forum on Revitalizing the North Delaware Riverfront—from the Port Richmond section of Philadelphia to Buck County. James Corner, head of the landscape architecture and urban design firm, Field Operations, will present plans for a uniquely urban/green blend that integrates development plans with new and existing green spaces, trails and a riverfront park.

The forum will take place on **Friday, November 2, 7:45 – 10:30 am** at the Top of the Tower, Bell Atlantic Building, 1717 Arch Street, Philadelphia, in the Furness Forum, 50th Floor. For more information, please contact Avery DeLeon at (215) 563-0250 ext. 114; or *adeleon@pecphila.org*

■ *Lecture by the Reverend William McMillan*

Friday, January 18th, 10:30 am
University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, 33rd and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia

The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology will host a lecture and flower arranging demonstration by the Rev. William McMillan of Belfast, Ireland. The lecture is part of the museum's ARTifacts IN BLOOM exhibit, in which flower arrangers interpret museum artifacts. For more information, please call (215) 989-9202.

■ *Meehan's Legacy: Nature Talk and Walk*

Pennypacker Mills, located in Schwenksville, will host an anniversary event celebrating the legacy of Thomas Meehan of Germantown on Sunday, November 11, 2001. There will be a lecture at 1:00 pm, by Stephanie Oberle titled, "Thomas Meehan and His Influence on Horticulture Nationally, Regionally and at Pennypacker Mills." This will be followed by a tour of the grounds at 2:00 pm, led by naturalist, Ruth King, who will discuss the Meehan's landscape design, one hundred years in the making.

Pennypacker Mills is the home of former PA Governor Samuel Pennypacker. The Meehan firm designed the landscape at Pennypacker Mills in 1901. Pennypacker Mills is located at the intersection of Rt. 73 and Haldeman Road in Schwenksville, PA. For more information, please call (610) 287-9349, or visit Pennypacker Mills on the web at *www.montcopa.org/historicsites*

2001 SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS

Now in its second year, the PHS **Suburban Greening Awards** recognize the beauty and value of public-space plantings in the Philadelphia suburbs. Thirty nominations were received for public parks, main street planters, train stations, municipal grounds, and other sites. Not a competition, the Suburban Greening Awards singles out sites and volunteer groups outside the city limits that deserve PHS recognition. Each group receives a framed certificate and a sign to display in their garden. The 2001 winners include:

The Bala Cynwyd Library Garden, Bala Cynwyd, PA
A passionate gardener, Sudie Herdman planted and maintains the beds surrounding the Bala Cynwyd Library and parking lot.

Bryn Mawr Ludington Community Garden, Bryn Mawr, PA
"Guerilla gardener" Sarah Rosen, along with a few friends, adopted a once-dilapidated public garden adjacent to the Ludington Library in Bryn Mawr and transformed it into a neighborhood showcase.

The Busy Lizzies of the Four Ends Lane Garden Club, Langhorne, PA
This dedicated garden club planted window boxes and hanging baskets along Langhorne's commercial district.

Cape May Point Circle, Cape May Point, NJ
Volunteers created a simple but beautiful perennial garden in this charming small town at the southern tip of New Jersey.

Eagleview, Exton, PA
Seasonal planting beds adorn the entrances of a modern residential and corporate campus, which was designed using a centuries-old village pattern.

The Gardeners of Rose Valley, Rose Valley, PA
Led by Sally Seltzer, volunteers from the Club beautified the Moylan/Rose Valley Train Station with sweeps of colorful blooms.

Haddonfield Garden Club, Haddonfield, NJ
Club members planted ornamental grasses, sedum, zinnias, coleus and ipomea to greet visitors at Kings Court, Lantern Lane and Main Street.

The Hatfield Township Arboretum, Hatfield, PA
Created on a 5-acre parcel of township-owned open space, the new arboretum includes more than 200 trees, shrubs and ornamental plants.

Hatfield Township Shade Tree Commission, Hatfield, PA
More than 24 trees and dozens of shrubs and perennials grace a new a gateway to Hatfield Township's municipal complex and town center.

Lansdowne Sycamore Park, Lansdowne, PA
The Sycamore Park Task Force worked for nearly 10 years to develop a community park around an historic, 350-year-old sycamore tree.

Bryn Mawr Community Park Garden

The Learning Gardens, Collegeville, PA
The Penn State Cooperative Extension "Learning Gardens" include a bulb garden, aquatic garden, and a meadow garden.

North Ardmore Civic Association, Ardmore, PA
Members of the North Ardmore Civic Association transformed the Ardmore train station into a place of beauty for daily commuters.

People's Light and Theater, Malvern, PA
Around a restaurant adjacent to this celebrated theater, volunteers planted colorful, functional gardens, including an herb garden for the chef, as well as swaths of white flowers for evening viewing.

Plainfield Garden Club, Plainfield, New Jersey
The club created a Shakespeare Garden in Cedar Brook Park, where botanical labels include quotations from the bard's works that refer to the plants.

Playwicki Farm, Feasterville, PA
The 110-acre farm includes nineteenth-century structures, mature woods, natural meadows and archaeological interest. Volunteers recently added paved walking trails, a play area, an orchard and a Victorian garden.

Souderton Gateway, Souderton, PA
A traffic island, train station, band shell and public park are adorned with outstanding plantings, created mostly by one dedicated volunteer, Pat Halteman.

Swedesford Garden Club, North Wales, PA
The Club created a colorful garden next to the North Penn Volunteer Fire Company.

Shakespeare Garden, Plainfield, NJ

2001 CITY GARDENS CONTEST WINNERS

Below are the winners in the Individual categories of the 2001 City Gardens Contest. Congratulations to all who entered!

First Place Winners

Carl Andresen
Alfred & Debbie Bilstein
Howard & Fred Edelstein
Rocco Giancaterino
Ruth Iglesias
Deborah Kaplan
Amy L. Kitzen
Toney Lucas
Samantha Mickey
John Milko
Bill & Heather Mooney
Mildred C. Papa
J. D. Paternoster
George E. Price
Jean Reed
Richard Rutherford
Carmela Sedgwick & Joe Ferris
James Stanley
Lee Tamaccio
Mr. & Mrs. John Unger
Arleen Walker
Debbie Warren & Jeffrey Schwartz

Second Place Winner

Ron Andrews
Jennifer Brandenburg
Iris Brown
Greg (Barry) Conner
Karen Daley
Karl Dollmann & Debra Hughes
Thomas & Suzanne Duffy
Lois & Douglas Fischer
Sara Forrest
Brian Foster
Ivey Galitan
Leo Gealt
Mike Hardy & Barry Grossbach
Brian & Lynne Kirsch
Eils Lotozo
Samual Mason
Alan McHale
Edward & Mable Parker
Maria Ramos
Les Sharpless
Lillie Singleton
Mark & Ruth Valentine
Marva Washington
J. Randolph Williams

A container in Deborah Kaplan's garden

Third Place Winners

Emily Byrd-Reeves
E. J. Eddins
Robert Edgar
Thomas C. Evans
Victoria H. Fox
Leo Frontino
Ivey Galitan
Annie Gaskill
Wayne & Eva Haber
Sheila Kessler
Dottie Kirk & Mary Whitehouse
Diane Kunze & John Neugebauer
J. M. Lacroix
Kate Maus
Ernest Meyer
Arthur & Janet Milanese
Alfred Rizzio
John Rudolph
Joanna Gay Talley
Vashti Thomas
Betty Tinsley
Eva Sanders
Joe Wesolowski
Louise Wright

Honorable Mention

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Carolyn Berger
George Blackmon
Mary Blazik
Sandra Dych
Vicki Finn
Jose A. Flores
Zelma Gorham
Linda Hee & Robert Niewodowski
Charlie Heiser
Claudia & Fred Holland
Alan McHale
Marianne Miller
Elizabeth W. Rice
Conor Roche & Roger Allen
Joan Smalarz
Gloria Tyson
Pat Vance

Elephant ears in James Stanley's garden

PHILADELPHIA GREEN RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD

Philadelphia Green has received a national award from the Urban Parks Institute, a program of the New York-based organization, Project for Public Spaces. The "Catalyst Award" (shared by Mayor Richard Daley of Chicago) recognizes "a person or organization that has successfully evolved a park or other public space to meet the needs of today's users, by involving the community, building stewardship, and making a park the setting for diverse community activities."

Philadelphia Green was singled out for its Parks Revitalization Project, which was praised for creating strong partnerships among community residents, city government, and nonprofit organizations. According to Mike Groman, director of Philadelphia Green, it is these partnerships that make the difference. "We've learned that putting the right resources into the hands of willing volunteers has a tremendous impact on the success of these projects," he remarks. The Parks Revitalization Project, which is supported by the Wallace-Reader's Digest Funds, works with more than 25 neighborhood park groups throughout Philadelphia.

The Catalyst Award was one of five "Great Parks/Great Cities Awards" presented at the Urban Parks Institute's annual conference in July. The Awards celebrate the role that urban parks play in revitalizing North American cities. As Urban Parks Institute director Kathy Madden notes, "An active, well-functioning park can jumpstart the comeback of a community."

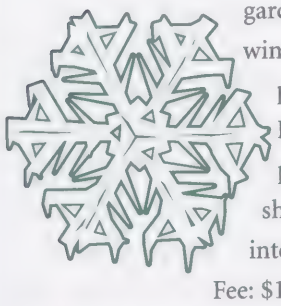
About 800 volunteers participated in the annual "Fall for Your Park," held on Saturday, September 29. The volunteer maintenance day, hosted by Philadelphia Green, took place at 39 neighborhood parks throughout the City. Here, a young volunteer takes a break at Cliveden Park in Germantown.

WALK

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Tuesday, January 22, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
(Snow date: Tuesday, January 29)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Fred Meder of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss winter interest in the garden, with particular reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter finery, including a woodland path and the scenery around Liddon Pennock's estate. Each participant will take home a shrub that will provide winter interest in his or her home garden. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.



WORKSHOPS

WREATH-MAKING, STYER'S STYLE

Saturday, November 17, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

In this workshop, Styer's staff members **Cindi Kistler** and **Theresa Rowan** will guide you through the basics of holiday wreath-making. You'll design and make your own 14- to 16-inch, all-natural wreath. Choose from a variety of fresh greens, including western and blue Atlas cedar, winterberry holly, seeded eucalyptus, and pepperberries. All materials will be provided; please bring pruners and gloves and dress for the weather. Fee: $45 members; $50 non-members.

THANKSGIVING CENTERPIECE

Monday, November 19, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Create a gorgeous Thanksgiving arrangement to welcome guests to your home or present as a memorable gift. This arrangement uses a reusable vine wreath form inserted into the centerpiece for fall flowers and vegetables. Join **Cheryl Wilks** for a fun, educational workshop where you'll learn tricks of the trade and create something special to take home. Please bring floral and ribbon scissors with you.

Cheryl Wilks has been involved in the floral industry since 1980. She has owned a retail flower shop, taught floral design classes for many years, and has lectured at the Philadelphia Flower Show since 1991. She has appeared on the NBC10 News, Fox 29, WHYY, "Seeking Solutions with Suzanne" (CNN Headline News) and "Home Matters" (Discovery Channel). Fee: $45 members; $50 non-members.

DECORATING WITH GREENS

Saturday, December 8, 1:00 – 3:00 pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

Learn how to create festive holiday arrangements with unique style and flare. **Cindi Kistler** and **Theresa Rowan** of J. Franklin Styer Nurseries will teach you the basics of arranging greens for the holidays, including design techniques, choosing and using greens, distinctive plant combinations and ideas for creating centerpieces, mantle pieces, garland swags and other arrangements. You'll also create your own holiday arrangement in a decorative, 8-inch gold- or silver-leaf terra cotta pot using a wide variety of greens—from old favorites to the wildly unusual. All materials will be provided, please bring pruners and gloves and dress for the weather. Fee: $45 members; $50 non-members.

HOLIDAY CENTERPIECE

Tuesday, December 11, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Cheryl Wilks will demonstrate different design styles and teach you the secrets of making your greens last through the New Year. She'll provide personal assistance to guarantee that every participant leaves with a gorgeous arrangement. You'll work with a splendid assortment of fresh evergreens to create your own fragrant arrangement for the holiday table. A selection of candles, ribbons and accessories will be available to personalize your centerpiece. Please bring pruners and gloves. Fee: $45 members; $50 non-members.

LECTURES

For evening lectures, the McLean Library will be open until 5:45. Lectures will be followed by light refreshments.

THE LOST GARDENS OF HELIGAN AND THE EDEN PROJECT: A LECTURE BY DAVID HOGG

Tuesday, November 20, 6:15 pm
Acorn Club, 1519 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA

The Heligan Gardens—now the most visited private gardens in England—were abandoned at the beginning of the First World War when the 23 gardeners left to fight. The gardens stood untouched for 70 years. Today, the restored site is a window into Victorian-era gardens, from the herbaceous borders to the cut-flower beds and extensive greenhouses to the pineapple-growing frame—heated with horse manure.

Opened this year, the Eden Project, located near the Heligan Gardens, is a living laboratory on a massive scale. Artificial biomes (the largest of which is 800 feet long, 200 feet high and 300 feet wide—large enough to comfortably swallow the Tower of London) create different climatic zones from tropical to temperate, showing plants as they grow together in the wild. Like San Francisco's Golden Gate and Australia's Sydney Opera House, the Eden Project is expected to become signature icon for the Cornwall region of England.

David Hogg, a Cornish resident who regularly conducts tours through both Heligan and the Eden Project, is well equipped to introduce these fascinating new attractions in Cornwall. Fee: $38 per person, includes the lecture as well as a dinner immediately following. A cash bar is available at 5:30.

This event is sponsored by the Acorn Club. To register or for more information, please write to Catherine Frizzell at the Acorn Club, 1519 Locust Street, Philadelphia, PA, 19102; or call (215) 735-2040.

WEB ESSENTIALS: AN INTRODUCTION

Wednesday, November 7, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

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IN THE GARDEN

HARDY CAMELLIA BREEDING AT HEDGLEIGH SPRING

Saturday, November 3, 1:30 – 3:30 pm
Swarthmore, PA

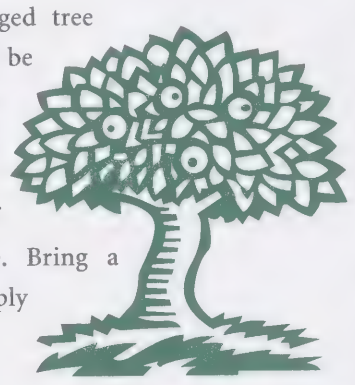
Charles Cresson has been breeding hardy camellias for more than twenty years at his fabulous family garden in Swarthmore. Join Charles for a look at his collection of fall-blooming camellias at their peak. Learn what he looks for as he selects the best varieties to grow in our region for fall and spring bloom. Fee: Members $20; non-members $25

BROWN BAG LUNCH

FALL TREE CARE FOR THE HOME GARDENER

Thursday, November 8, 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

ISA certified arborist **Lou Giroud** will discuss the keys to healthy trees. He'll cover basics such as selecting the right tree for your landscape, detecting signs of tree problems, coping with insects and diseases, and pruning. He will also discuss how knowledge of tree biology and spray alternatives have changed tree care. Ample time will be provided for questions and problem solving. Lou Giroud is founder and president of Giroud's Tree Service. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5



ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS Activities, attn: Deborah Fife, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215) 988-8810, or phone (215) 988-8869, fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/22/02	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Wreath-making Styer's Style	11/17	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Thanksgiving Centerpiece	11/19	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Decorating with Greens	12/8	Fee: $45/50	_____	_____
☐ Holiday Centerpiece	12/11	Fee: $45/50	_____	_____
☐ Rediscovering German Gardens	1/10/02	Fee: $20/25	_____	_____
☐ Web Essentials: An Introduction	11/7	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Hardy Camellia Breeding	11/3	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Fall Tree Care for the Home Gardener	11/8	Fee: $5	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ or MasterCard

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THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY SCARF

Inspired by garlands of flowers and plants worn on special occasions by the ancient Egyptians, the PHS scarf is made of crepe-backed silk satin. It's available for purchase at PHS headquarters, 100 N. 20th Street, in the merchandising department on the first floor, or you can order it by phone, (215) 988-1613, or e-mail *srisien-harvey@pennhort.org* Price $68. (PHS member price $60). Makes a great holiday gift!

PHILADELPHIA GREEN HOSTS DAFFODIL DAY

On Saturday, October 27 Philadelphia Green hosted a fall planting day in the American Street Empowerment Zone in North Philadelphia, where it oversees a model vacant-land management project. Community leaders, residents and volunteers planted 10,000 daffodil bulbs on 40 vacant lots that have been recently cleared of debris, trash and abandoned vehicles. PHS is grateful to the Van Bourgondien Bulb Company, which generously donated the 10,000 daffodil bulbs for this project. (Visit Van Bourgondien on the web at *www.dutchbulbs.com*)

PHS HAS A NEW WEB ADDRESS

The PHS website can now be found at ***www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*** Anyone using the old address (*www.libertynet.org/phs*) or searching for the site using "Pennsylvania Horticultural Society" will still to be able to reach the PHS website. And you'll find the latest information about the 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show at *www.theflowershow.com*

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175 YEARS AND STILL GROWING

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society celebrates its 175th anniversary in 2002.

In 1827, women were wearing high-waisted dresses, corsets, wide-brim bonnets and gloves, while men donned waistcoats and top hats. The nation's first passenger and freight railroad, the Baltimore & Ohio, was incorporated, and slavery was abolished in the state of New York.

That same year in Philadelphia, on November 24, a group of gentleman farmers, botanists and other plant enthusiasts held a meeting to create the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

One hundred and seventy-five years later, PHS is still thriving. "What's really amazing about this organization," says PHS president Jane Pepper, "is not only that it has lasted through two centuries, but that it has been able to accomplish such wonderful things—and these accomplishments would not be possible without the solid, loyal support of our membership."

PHS officially kicked off the 175th anniversary at the annual meeting this past November, and we'll be celebrating throughout 2002 with special lectures, workshops, a special anniversary issue of *Green Scene* in December, and other events. This is an exciting time to be a member of PHS. Stay tuned!

THE PLEASURES OF THE GARDEN

A Preview of the 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show

The 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show, *The Pleasures of the Garden*, runs from March 3 through 10, 2002 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center and will include exhibits by more than 60 of the nation's top landscape design firms, florists and educational organizations.

This year's Central Feature exhibits will celebrate the sumptuous gardens of the Victorian era. Visitors will enter the Show through a garden "portal" inspired by Victorian architecture, with colorful patterns, niches, and alcoves filled with colorful arrangements.

The Cugliotta display at the 2001 Show

Award-winning exhibitor **J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery Inc.** will recall the elegant sophistication of this romantic era with an elaborate representation of a Victorian "dream house," surrounded by theme gardens celebrating each of the five senses. In the Cugliotta design, each garden connects to related rooms in the house, which are visible through diaphanous walls. For example, the "fragrance" garden extends from the porch, while the "taste" garden is adjacent to the kitchen.

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FLOWER SHOW TICKETS

PHS Members' tickets will be mailed at the end of January. General admission tickets for adults are $24 on Opening Sunday (March 3), $22 weekends and $20 weekdays. Children ages 2 to 12 are $10 (good any day). Advance ticket sales are $18 and Group tickets (20 or more) are $17.50 and are good any day. Advance tickets can be purchased at SEPTA outlets, PNC Banks, participating florists and nurseries and at *www.theflowershow.com*

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
1827
PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Empowering Communities through Horticulture

With thousands of pounds of trash and acres of weeds removed, a transformation is taking place in the American Street Empowerment Zone (ASEZ), one of three areas in Philadelphia receiving federal funds in a three-year program to improve these neighborhoods' social and physical environment and stimulate economic development.

In April 2000, the Philadelphia Empowerment Zone, a city agency, contracted with PHS's Philadelphia Green program to work with four community development corporations (CDCs) to apply horticultural remedies against the devastating impact of vacant land in the ASEZ. They included the Association of Puerto Ricans on the March, Kensington South, the Norris Square Civic Association and the Women's Community Revitalization Project.

Philadelphia Green staff first spent several months with residents and the CDCs of each neighborhood, planning which of the many trash-strewn lots they would tackle and developing strategies for ongoing maintenance. Each neighborhood is different. Some had greening committees ready to jump into action; others started by undertaking the process of building community support and understanding.

After two planting seasons, the change is dramatic. I saw the sites last spring and again last fall. Nine acres have been cleared of debris, fences have been erected around 300 parcels of land on 40 sites, 350 trees have been planted and grass seed has germinated. These land stabilization projects are not designed to be horticultural masterpieces, but, as Bob Grossman, Philadelphia Green's manager for the Empowerment Zone project observes, "In any community, a clean, green lot makes a completely different statement than one that's filled with old washing machines and tires."

In October, project coordinator Margaret Funderburg orchestrated the planting of 10,000 daffodil bulbs—generously donated by the Van Bourgondien Bulb Company—on 17 sites. To her, it's incredibly rewarding to see the physical transformation, but she's also grateful "to the residents who put so much time and effort into working on lots they don't even own," she says. "They are truly committed to improving their communities, and we are all the beneficiaries."

If you would like to take a tour of the ASEZ sites next summer, please let me know. (*jpepper@pennhort.org*).

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS president*

FAREWELL TO ROSEMARIE VASSALLUZZO

Rosemarie Vassalluzzo, a distinguished Philadelphia Flower Show exhibitor and long-time PHS volunteer, died in September after a long battle with cancer.

photo courtesy of Walt Fisher

The "Inforcers" (left to right): Chuck Gale, Linda Fisher, Rosemarie Vassalluzzo, Jules Vassalluzzo, and Walt Fisher

Rosemarie was a legendary competitor at the Flower Show, winning the grand sweepstakes 14 times. She and her husband Jules volunteered at the Show and helped with the annual Azalea Garden Party. Rosemarie also served on the Flower Show Competitive Classes committee. A passionate gardener and cook, she led garden tours and lectured and wrote about horticulture and food, including several articles for *Green Scene*.

"She had a great eye for design," recalls Walt Fisher, a friend and fellow exhibitor. "I admired her exhibits at the Flower Show, but I especially admired the way she was always friendly and helpful to other exhibitors. She reached out to a lot of people and got them involved in PHS."

In addition to her individual exhibits, Rosemarie was part of a group of six exhibitors called "The Inforcers," which included Jules Vassalluzzo, Barbara and Chuck Gale, and Linda and Walt Fisher. "Even during her illness," Walt says, "she was always creative and constructive." The Inforcers became fast friends aside from their horticultural endeavors. Walt reflects, "Rosemarie was a marvelous hostess and cook and just a great person to be around."

– Jane Carroll

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: MARY ANN THOMAS

Mary Ann Thomas can't remember how long she has been involved with PHS. "It seems like forever," she says. She began by volunteering with the spring garden visits and, of course, at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

A fixture at PHS, Mary Ann has served on the Membership committee for 10 years and she is a long-time member of the Flower Show Competitive Classes committee, the Education Services committee and the Harvest Show Committee.

Mary Ann received training in horticulture at the Barnes Foundation, supplemented by classes at Longwood Gardens. She runs a small gardening business, and, as a self-described "plant-aholic," she says her "all-time favorite thing to do" is to go shopping for plants.

Around PHS, Mary Ann is relied upon for her expertise in botanical nomenclature. She reviews every issue of *Green Scene* to make sure the plants mentioned in the magazine are correctly identified. Her knowledge will also be put to good use at this year's Flower Show, where she will serve as vice-chair of horticulture for the Competitive Classes, overseeing passing and staging for thousands of entries in the Horticourt. "It gets pretty crazy," she admits, "but I love the Flower Show."

Mary Ann is also one of the friendly, knowledgeable voices on the "Ask a Gardener" hotline (215-988-8777, *askagardener@pennhort.org*). She has been answering gardeners' questions for about seven years as a hotline volunteer, and she has fielded some unusual questions. "One person wanted to know how to start a pineapple farm in Hawaii!" she recalls.

Mary Ann also participates in the McLean Library's new book club. "It's a wonderfully diverse group of people, and everybody spoke up right from the very first meeting," she says. "That's one of the best things about being involved with PHS—the opportunity to meet so many people whom you wouldn't get to know otherwise."

– Jane Carroll

photo courtesy of Walt Fisher

A PREVIEW OF THE 2002 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

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In the American Institute of Floral Design (AIFD) exhibit, sculptural compositions of cut flowers, branches, and foliage will be presented in niches and archways reminiscent of an Italian piazza. Computerized lighting and soundtracks will create a sense of movement. "The AIFD designers have found a great way to incorporate cut flower designs that express the 'Pleasures of the Garden,'" says Shows designer and director Ed Lindemann.

For the final Central Feature exhibit, Lindemann will team up with J. Franklin Styer Nurseries and floral designer Jamie Rothstein to create a "Peace Garden." Spring flowers will sprout from the ruins of an abandoned estate, creating a feeling of renewal. "The exhibit will underscore one of the most important horticultural pleasures—the sense of continuity and peace that a garden offers us," Lindemann notes.

New Flower Show exhibitors this year include Young's Landscape Management, Inc. and Flagg's Garden Center, both based in New Jersey. Temple University's Department of Landscape Architecture & Horticulture returns to the Flower Show after a two-year hiatus.

PHS will once again mount special displays highlighting the current projects of Philadelphia Green (with exhibit funding from F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co.), as well as the Gold Medal Plant Award Program. Supported by the Chanticleer Foundation, the Gold Medal program promotes exceptional woody plants for use in the mid-Atlantic region.

A focal point for plant lovers, the "Horticourt" competition showcases thousands of individual horticultural entries, including orchids, bonsai, topiary, bulbs, herbs, and other plants. And, as always, Show visitors can enjoy a variety of activities, including free lectures, workshops and demonstrations; shopping in the Marketplace; the Barnes & Noble Garden Book Fair; Gardener's Studios in the Main Exhibition Hall; cooking demonstrations; and the elegant Afternoon Tea.

Revenues generated by the Philadelphia Flower Show, including contributions from the Show's presenting sponsor, PNC Financial Services Group, Inc., help support the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's programs, including Philadelphia Green.

– Jane Carroll

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2002 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a volunteer from March 3–10, 2002. If you would like to help, check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

☐ **Recorder:** Log information for a plant's entry into the Show. Requires attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure.

☐ **Infonet:** Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or work an information booth.

☐ **Flower Show Shoppe:** We need you for sales and service, checking and marking, distribution and stock control, cashiers and bagging and shoppe set-up.

Name .....

Address .....

City ..... State ..... Zip .....

Phone (day) .....

email address .....

Please return this coupon to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495 (by January 7 for Recorder and Infonet volunteers, and by January 30 for Shoppe volunteers); call (215) 988-8826; or email *bgreene@pennhort.org*. We will contact you with more information.

SYLVIA LIN RECEIVES GARDEN CLUB OF AMERICA AWARD

Long-time Philadelphia Flower Show exhibitor Sylvia Lin has received the Garden Club of America Zone V Horticulture Award. The award, given once a year to a maximum of 12 people in the U.S., recognizes Sylvia's skill at growing plants and showing them at the Philadelphia Flower Show. A star of the Show's "Horticourt" (where plants are entered in fierce competition), Sylvia is especially known for her succulents, cacti and unusual begonias, winning numerous ribbons each year. An active PHS volunteer, she serves on the Membership Committee and the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee.

"Sylvia's entries at the Philadelphia Flower Show are not only beautifully grown, but are often unusual specimens, and each is presented as a work of art," says fellow exhibitor Peggy Bowditch. "She searches out the most difficult plants … and then finds out just what they need to thrive."

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

New Culinary Presentations at the Flower Show!

March 3 –10, 2002
11 am, 1 pm, 3 pm
New This Year: Additional Times!
March 5, 6, and 7, 7 pm

After feasting your eyes on acres of breathtaking floral exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show, you'll also find a treat for the taste buds. The Culinary Presentations at the 2002 Flower Show are a great place to rest your feet while picking up some great cooking hints at the same time. This year, there will be three demonstrations every day, at 11am, 1pm, and 3pm. We've also added evening presentations at 7pm on March 5, 6, and 7. (All presentations will take place in Room 204B on the concourse bridge, located just off the Show floor.)

Chef Joseph E. Shilling

The best culinary talent in the city will share their cooking secrets. The charismatic Chef Joseph E. Shilling, director of the School of Culinary Arts at the Art Institute of Philadelphia, will host the events. Chef Shilling has served as the personal chef for the renowned pop group, Boyz II Men, and has appeared on several national television programs. He also participates in many charity events, including "Cooking for a Cure" for the Leukemia Society of America.

So after stopping to smell the roses, stop and smell the aromas of the best dishes in the city—prepared by some of Philadelphia's greatest chefs.

– Caryn Taylor

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

ELSEWHERE

■ *Lecture by the Reverend William McMillan*

Friday, January 18th, 10:30 am
University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology, 33rd and Spruce Streets, Philadelphia

The University of Pennsylvania Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology will host a lecture and flower arranging demonstration by the Rev. William McMillan of Belfast, Ireland. The lecture is part of the museum's ARTifacts IN BLOOM exhibit, in which flower arrangers interpret museum artifacts. For more information, please call (215) 898-9202.

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

Your New Year's Resolution—Make a Will

Many people find it easy to delay making a will. They procrastinate because they think estate planning is hard. But in most cases, it's not all that difficult. In fact, creating a will can be as simple as ABC!

Assets. Begin by making an inventory of all your assets: insurance, bank and brokerage accounts, artwork, real estate, vehicles, everything you own. Once you have the list, estimate the value of your assets and then deduct any debts you may have. This will give you a rough idea of the total value of your estate.

Beneficiaries. Whom do you want to receive your assets? First, consider family needs and obligations. Then review your charitable involvement and how a bequest could benefit a favorite organization—and create a lasting legacy for you.

Confidants. Choose trustworthy professionals to provide legal and other assistance, as well as a personal representative to help settle your estate.

Once you have listed and valued your assets, selected your beneficiaries and chosen the persons to assist you now and after your death, contact an estate-planning attorney to draft the document.

Creating a will is easier than you might have thought. It will take some time, but you will be well rewarded with a deep sense of satisfaction … and peace of mind. What better way to ring in the New Year!

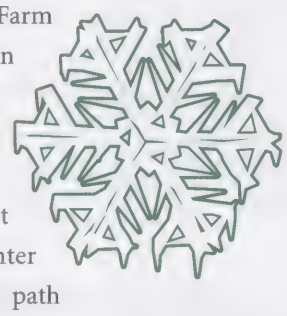
If you have provided for PHS in your will and estate plans, please let us know so that we can welcome you into the newly created Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society. And if you would like suggested wording on how to include PHS in your will, please call the Development office at (215) 988-8819.

— Suzanne Betts, Development director

WALKS

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Tuesday, January 22, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
(Snow date: Tuesday, January 29)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA



Fred Meder of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss winter interest in the garden, with particular reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter finery, including a woodland path and the scenery around J. Liddon Pennock's estate. Each participant will take home a shrub that will provide winter interest in his or her home garden. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

LECTURES

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TANTALIZING ALL THE SENSES

Thursday, January 31, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

When was the last time you reached out to touch a mossy log? How long has it been since you ran your fingers over a river rock or looked closely at a butterfly's markings? Can you describe the difference between supermarket lettuce and buttercrunch grown in the fertile soil of your own backyard? This lecture, by noted author and lecturer **Tovah Martin**, is going to tingle all your senses. We're going to awaken your taste buds, perk up your ears and open your eyes to the glories of the garden. Come to this lecture and whet your appetite for the Philadelphia Flower Show's Central Feature exhibits.

Tovah Martin is garden editor for *Victoria* magazine, *The Litchfield County Times* and *The Fairfield County Times*. She writes regular columns for *The New York Times* and numerous other periodicals, and her work has been honored with several Garden Writers Association of America Quill & Trowel awards. She is the author of many books, including *Victoria Moments in the Garden* (William Morrow), *Tasha Tudor's Garden* and *Tasha Tudor's Heirloom Crafts* (Houghton Mifflin), and *Heirloom Flowers* (Simon & Schuster's Fireside Books). Her most recent book is *A Time to Blossom: Mothers, Daughters & Flowers* (Houghton Mifflin).

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Note: A second course, "Woody Plants of Fairmount Park: Past, Present and Future," will be offered in early spring. Watch future issues of PHS News *for details.*

Tovah lectures widely and has appeared on television and radio. She is an avid gardener, professional photographer, professional stylist, collector of garden antiques, and a consultant for greenhouses and conservatories. Fee $20 members; $25 non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

WINTER TREE CARE

Tuesday, February 5, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

As part of our brown-bag lunch series on seasonal tree care, ISA certified arborist **Lou Giroud** will discuss keys to healthy trees in winter. Topics will include tree inspections and preventing winter storm damage, as well as the basics of winter tree care. Bring your tree questions; ample time will be provided for problem solving. Lou Giroud is founder and president of Giroud's Tree Service. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS: PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

A GARDEN FOR THE SENSES

Thursday, February 7, 10:00 – 11:00 am
J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery Inc., Southampton, NJ

The 2002 Flower Show will include J. Cugliotta's magnificent central feature exhibit, "Garden of the Senses." Take advantage of this unique opportunity to indulge in a special behind-the-scenes tour of the exhibit-in-progress. **Joe Cugliotta** and his staff will share their secrets and stories and show you how they are creating the ultimate garden for the senses. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

GROWING PLANTS FOR THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Tuesday, February 19, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peak at many of the more unusual plants he's growing for major exhibitors at the 2002 Flower Show. This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook's greenhouses will also focus on the art of forcing plants for the Show, and you'll find out about Meadowbrook's own 2002 exhibit. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

WORKSHOPS

CREATING A STANDARD

Thursday, February 14, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ever wonder how you can create a formal, tree-like form with some of your favorite bushy plants? **Julie Horoutunian**, who creates the standards and topiaries grown at Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate the mechanics and techniques for training houseplants and annuals as topiary and standard forms. After demonstrations with a variety of plants, including geranium, fuchsia, lantana and ivy, participants will create their own standards of myrtle (*Myrtus communis*) to take home in a 4" clay pot. Please bring scissors or clippers; all other materials will be provided. Fee: $38 members; $40 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/22	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Rediscovering German Gardens	1/10	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Tantalizing All the Senses	1/31	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Winter Tree Care	2/5	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ A Garden for the Senses	2/7	Fee: $20/25	_____	_____
☐ Growing Plants for the Flower Show	2/19	Fee: $20/25	_____	_____
☐ Creating a Standard	2/14	Fee: $38/40	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

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Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
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PHS TRIPS

GARDENS OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA: PITTSBURGH AND ENVIRONS

May 28 – 31, 2002

Join us for the first PHS trip to the Pittsburgh area. With help from the Horticultural Society of Western Pennsylvania, we've put together an interesting, four-day itinerary that includes outstanding private gardens and fascinating public exhibits. We'll visit the Phipps Conservatory, as well as the lesser-known Hunt Institute at Carnegie Mellon University, a collection of rare botanical books and prints.

We'll travel to Pittsburgh by private motor coach and will stay at two hotels—the Omni William Penn, located in the heart of the city, and the deluxe Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in the Laurel Highlands, southeast of Pittsburgh. We'll also visit Fallingwater, the famous Frank Lloyd Wright house. Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group.

BURGUNDY: GARDENS OF DELIGHT

June 7 – 19, 2002

In June 2002, PHS president Jane Pepper will take members to the wine-producing region of Burgundy, France to visit private gardens, impressive chateau gardens, and the cloistered garden of Fontenay, as well as cities with magnificent medieval architecture. We will pass through the scenic wine country of the Côte d'Or and the Côte de Beaune and taste the famous wine at Fuissé. We will sample cheese at Époisses and take a boat ride on the Saône River from Châlon to Tournus. Members will stay in the old city of Dijon in Tournus and at La Côte St. Jacques in Joigny. Tour leaders Nancy Hastings and Lana Crawford Rogers have run French tours for PHS in prior years. Ms. Rogers has lived in Paris for more than two decades.

GARDENS OF GERMANY: HANNOVER TO MUNICH

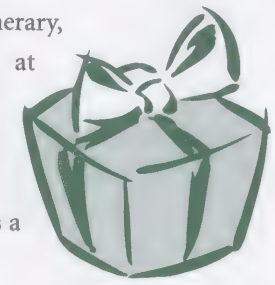
June 25 – July 9, 2002

Join us for an exciting garden tour to Germany, featuring private and public gardens of Hannover, Stuttgart, Freiburg, Lindau on Lake Constance, and Munich. We'll see sophisticated cities, charming villages, and breathtaking scenery, wending our way from Hannover in the north through the Romantic Road and the Black Forest region. We'll visit lovely towns and islands on Lake Constance and travel through the Bavarian Alps into Munich.

Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership Manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, will accompany the group. Erika Shank, a German-born photographer and gardener from Long Island, will be our guide.

Note: PHS will host a lecture on the Gardens of Germany on January 10. See page 4 for details.

To receive a copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or email *bgullan@pennhort.org*



Why not consider these trips as a very special holiday gift?

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2002 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Special Events and Visitors Tips

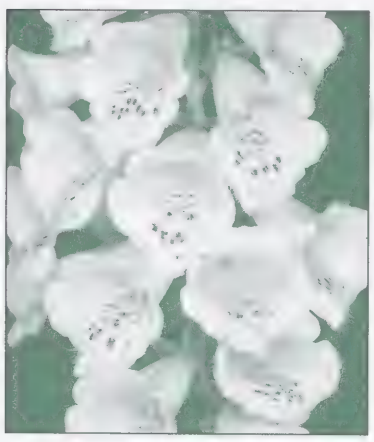
Each year, Philadelphia Flower Show visitors can choose from a wide range of special events during the Show. All events are FREE with Show admission. For the most up-to-date schedule information, please call (215) 988-8899, check the web site, ***www.theflowershow.com*** or pick up a copy of the official **Schedule of Events** at the Show.

Plan ahead to make the most of your visit. You can catch up on the latest gardening trends and techniques at **lectures and demonstrations** given by experts on a range of topics. Lectures and demonstrations are held in rooms 201B & 201C on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall.

The **AIFD Bridal Day** (by the American Institute of Floral Design) returns this year with all-day demonstrations of wedding flowers for the ceremony, reception, and bride on Sunday, March 10 in room 201B. Special thanks to Bridal Day partner, David's Bridal.

The **Gardener's Studio**, in two locations on the Main Show Floor, features local and national experts who will give interactive demonstrations daily from both sides of Hall B. The Gardener's Studio provides the opportunity to ask "on-the-spot" questions and get immediate, practical answers.

At the **All-Star Culinary Presentations**, hosted by Chef Joseph E. Shilling, director of the Art Institute of Philadelphia School of Culinary Arts, you'll learn tips and expert kitchen techniques from an exciting lineup of local celebrity chefs. Demonstrations take place three times daily—at 11am, 1pm and 3pm—plus special evening presentations at 7pm on March 5, 6, and 7. Demonstrations are held in room 204B on the concourse bridge leading to the Grand Hall. Chefs include Jack McDavid of Jack's Firehouse and Walter Staib of City Tavern.



Planning a trip to Philadelphia for the Show or have guests coming to town? For information on hotel packages, please call Accommodations Express at (800) 380-4683. Amtrak offers 20% discounts on fares to Philadelphia from locations throughout the Northeast. Call Amtrak at 1-800-USA-Rail and mention fare code X529. (Some restrictions apply.) For local transportation information, call SEPTA at (215) 580-7800, and see page 6 for information on SEPTA discounts.

The **Official Show Program**, including a floor plan, will be published in *The Philadelphia Inquirer* on February 17 and in the *Philadelphia Daily News* on February 28. The Program will also be available at the Show.

Buy tickets in advance and save! Tickets may be purchased in advance at a discounted price of $18.00 or at advance-sales ticket outlets including participating PNC branches, AAA Mid-Atlantic offices, ACME Markets, Philadelphia-area Barnes & Noble stores, Clemens Markets, Independence Visitors Center, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, Smith & Hawken stores, and at local garden centers, nurseries and florists. Check availability with individual outlets; service charges may apply. Tickets are also available online at *www.theflowershow.com.*

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing hours are from 3pm until closing at 9:30 pm.

See you at the Show! – *Elizabeth Anderson*

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PEPPERPOT

A Week in the Life of PHS

During one week in December, the wonderful diversity of activities and people at PHS once again came into focus for me. One day we hosted former members of Council, a spirited group ranging from 94 to half that age. Brad Snipes, who served in the early 60s, regaled me with tales of the hours Council members spent deciding whether to buy a Rototiller for the few community gardens in our program. To him and to other Council members, it's deeply satisfying to see how Philadelphia Green has grown.

The next evening I attended our annual "Party for the Parks" in the Mayor's Reception Room in City Hall. More than 200 members of parks groups from across Philadelphia cheered as they celebrated their successes. Last year, about 10,000 volunteers donated more than 40,000 hours to help not only clean up the parks, but also provide activities for children and senior citizens and organize workdays for their communities. One of our guests was Señor Enrique Penalosa, former mayor of Bogata, Colombia, a city of seven million, who spoke passionately about the importance of parks in cities around the world.

That week also included discussions with volunteers and Flower Show exhibitors about the future of the Philadelphia Flower Show. Together we mused and dreamed, wondering what the future holds for our Show, our city and our world. On one point we all agreed—the Philadelphia Flower Show is a tradition that brings enormous pride of accomplishment to exhibitors, volunteers and PHS members, not to mention the pleasure it brings to our visitors.

As the week drew to a close, Blaine Bonham, PHS's executive vice president, and I held the final meeting of the year with the Society's Senior Management Team: Suzanne Betts, director of Development; Joe Dougherty, Human Resources manager; Mike Groman, director of Philadelphia Green; Ed Lindemann, Shows director and designer; Lisa Miller, director of Finance, IT & Administration; Kathryn Newland, Joan Reilly, and Maitreyi Roy, associate directors of Philadelphia Green; Pete Prown, Publications manager; Eva Ray, director of Education Services; and Lisa Stephano, director of Public Relations & Marketing.

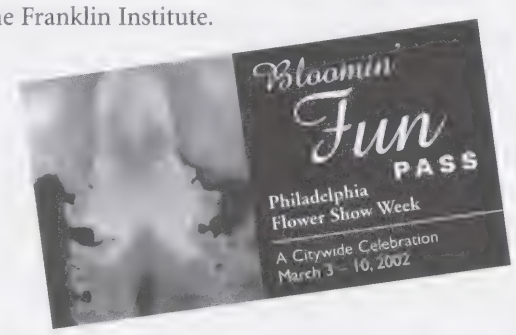
To them and to all PHS staff, Blaine and I say thanks for the amazing things they accomplish. Together with our volunteers, our exhibitors and our partners in the community, they make a winning team.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS president*

BLOOMIN' FUN PASS

During Flower Show Week—March 3 through 10—present your Bloomin' Fun Pass to enjoy **special offers, events, and discounts at area restaurants, shops, theaters, gardens, and hotels**. Pick up your Bloomin' Fun Pass at PHS headquarters or at the following locations: PNC Bank branches, Philadelphia International Airport, Independence Visitor Center, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, area malls (King of Prussia, Franklin Mills, The Shops at Liberty Place, The Gallery at Market East), Center City District kiosks, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Franklin Institute.



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IN THE SPOTLIGHT: PAT SANDERS

When Pat Sanders was a Philadelphia schoolteacher in the early 1970s, she often attended workshops at PHS, bringing home plants for her classroom terrarium. Then one thing led to another. "After I left teaching, I became a PHS member, then a volunteer, then a member of Council and a financial supporter," she explains. "I went from getting something to giving something back."

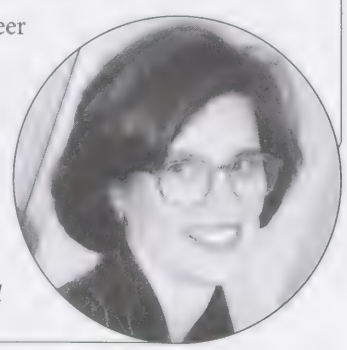
Pat has served on the Executive and Education Services Committees, and she helped develop the volunteer phone bank at the Flower Show. For 11 years she helped organize the PHS merchandise booths at the Flower Show. She also volunteers at the Harvest Show and Kids Grow Expo.

But Pat is best known for her many contributions to the Membership Committee. A 10-year member of the committee, she served as chair for eight years and has greeted countless guests at PHS events. Pat coordinates the volunteers for the membership booths at the Flower Show, which last year signed up 800 new members. "She represents the Society in an open, warm and welcoming manner," says Membership manager Betsy Gullan.

"I'm really proud to work with the Membership Committee," says Pat. "It's an incredibly diverse group of talented people, and it's the most enjoyable thing I do at PHS. I love introducing new members to the Society, telling them not only about the benefits of membership but also about PHS's service to the city through Philadelphia Green, as well as about all the educational and outreach programs. Once people understand all of that, they feel really good about becoming members."

Pat and her colleagues on the committee work throughout the year to keep members connected and to encourage them to become actively involved. "It's great to watch people go from being members to volunteers to active supporters who then help get other people involved. That's how the cycle works," she observes.

Pat enjoys her role as a PHS ambassador. "The Society has helped Philadelphia become not only more beautiful, but also more livable. I consider it an honor to serve an organization that has done so much for the city—and for my own community," says Pat, who lives and works in the city's Spring Garden section. She was one of the founding members of the Friends of the Rodin Museum Garden, and she keeps a busy schedule as a part-time employee and volunteer at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and at the newly completed Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts.



But she still makes time for gardening. And as with those terrarium plants, there's a PHS connection here, too. Pat explains: "My garden is an homage to PHS—it's jam-packed with membership-dividend plants!"

– Jane Carroll

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

Charitable Gift Annuities

Charitable gift annuities are the simplest form of planned gift. A charitable gift annuity is a contract in which you exchange a gift of cash or securities for a guaranteed, fixed income each year for the rest of your life, while providing long-term financial support to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. They are easy to establish and require a $5,000 minimum gift and a minimum age of 60. Gift annuity rates are determined by the age of the person or persons who receive the income payments. This is one planned giving opportunity where growing older has its benefits.

For example, Ellen Greenthumbs is 70 years old and donates $10,000 to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society for a charitable gift annuity. In return, Ellen receives $720 every year for the rest of her life. If Ellen were 85 when she made the gift, the payment rates would jump to 10.4 % and she would receive $1,040 each year.

Many donors appreciate the stability of gift annuity payments. Once established, the rates are "locked in" and the annuitants can count on receiving the same amount every year. Payments may be received annually, semi-annually, or quarterly.

Another benefit of a charitable gift annuity relates to taxes. Not only does the donor receive a tax deduction when establishing the gift annuity, but a portion of the annual income is tax-free.

Perhaps the most enjoyable part of a gift annuity to PHS is the ability to give without endangering retirement income. Sometimes donors actually increase their retirement income by funding a gift annuity with low-yielding assets, such as appreciated securities.

If you would like to learn more about giving to PHS through our gift annuity program, please contact Suzanne Betts, Development director at (215) 988-8819 or *sbetts@pennhort.org*.

The chart below shows the various rates currently in effect for selected ages.

*Sample Single-Life Gift Annuity Rates**

Age	Rate
60	6.4
65	6.7
70	7.2
75	7.9
80	8.9
85	10.4
90+	12.0

• Recommended by the American Council on Gift Annuities

PHILADELPHIA GREEN WILL SHARE ITS MESSAGE AT THE FLOWER SHOW

The Philadelphia Green exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show will have a new format this year. On a large viewing screen, visitors will see a short video and slides that explain the work of PHS's comprehensive urban greening program. The presentation will raise awareness about the impact of Philadelphia Green, not only in the city of Philadelphia, but as the premier program of its kind in the country.

"We're doing something different this year," explains Flossie Narducci, PHS program events manager, who is coordinating the exhibit. "Instead of recreating a PG garden project, we want to give the public a fuller picture of what Philadelphia Green is, what we do, and how we do it. We also want to make sure people know their Flower Show tickets help support this important program."

The Philadelphia Green exhibit will be located on the main Show Floor, just to the left of the PHS Flower Show Shoppe and Membership booths. Be sure to stop by!

MEMBERS' TIPS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW

Members' Tickets for the 2002 Show

Tickets were mailed to PHS members during the third week of January. If you do not received your ticket(s) by February 6, please call the Membership office as soon as possible (215-988-8776 or 8832). When your ticket(s) arrive, put them in a secure place where you'll be sure to find them at Show time. PHS cannot be responsible for lost or misplaced tickets.

At the Show

Don't forget your PHS membership card! It's your passport to the Members' Lounge and for shopping discounts in the Marketplace.

Present your PHS membership card at the **Members Lounge**. This is the place to relax, enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee or tea, and become reenergized for another turn around the Show floor. The Members' Lounge will be open from Sunday, March 3 through Sunday, March 10—from 10 am to 4 pm on both Sundays and 10 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday. **The Lounge will not be open during the Preview on Saturday, March 2.**

Some generous vendors in the Flower Show Marketplace will again offer shopping **discounts to PHS members** who present their PHS membership cards. The average discount is 10%; some discounts may be higher or lower. Following is a list of participating vendors.

Company Name	Booth Location
Ash's Flower Farm	317
Black Pottery	416
BlueTree Garden Center	104 & B10
Boehm Porcelain	401
Chelsea Flower Pot Hanger	615
COPA Soaps	637
Cottontail Gardens	421
Deborah's Painted Garden	5055
Distinguished Art Glass	422
Dragon Agro Products	712-714
French Exclusives LLC	B12
Frog Park Herbs	735-737
Garden Basket.com	510
Gary's Perennials LLC	424
Gladstone Jones	622-624
Golden Hammocks	631 & 730
ICIS, Inc.	610
Isaac Etchings Joanne and Rachel	707
Jatex International, Inc.	410-412
Literary Calligraphy	502
Lyons Ltd. Antique Prints	625 & 1/2 627
Main Street Orchids	417 and cart
Mister Boardwalk	701
Nature on the Rocks	733
Nature's Creations	613
The Oriental House	215
PHS Philadelphia Flower Show Shoppe	Hall A, Center
Raritan Valley Garden Center	405
RITZ Camera/ The Camera Shop	Hall A, #1&2
Robert Miller, Artist	413
Roberta's, Inc.	623 & 722
Sandra Webberking Originals	523
Sea Dragon Herbery	519
Silva Orchids	404 & 1/2 307
Snow Gallery	407
Surving Studios	517
Timber Press, Inc.	509 & 511
Waldor Orchids	B4
Wedgewood Gardens, Inc.	412
Zoub Enterprises Ltd.	724

MEMBERSHIP SURVEY

Over the past three years, membership at PHS has grown by 45%. So we can better serve our members and shape our membership program, we will be conducting a phone survey in early February. I know some of you are wary of phone surveys, but if you are called, I hope you will participate. The survey should take no more than 10 minutes of your time, and your comments will be most helpful to PHS. Thank you in advance. – *Jane G. Pepper*

2002 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW MAJOR EXHIBITORS

Major Exhibitor Competitive Categories

The symbol next to the exhibitor's name indicates the category in which they will be competing at the 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show.

- By Invitation ◆
- Academic Educational ★
- Nonacademic Educational ✪
- Floral Design ▲
- Landscape ●
- Nonprofit Display ■
- Not in Competition for PHS Awards ✚
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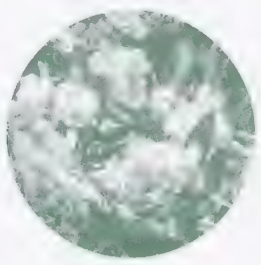

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The Garden Workers
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"Scentimental Journey"
The Gardeners
Maple Glen Garden Club
Penn Valley Garden Club
Radnor High School Greenhouse Program
The Siblings

Entryways

"Artisans' Alley"
All Saints Church, Wynnewood
Lower Merion High School
Pinelands Garden Club
The Weeders

Gardens

"My Little Piece of the Planet"
Duke Gardens
Harriton High School of Lower Merion
The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia
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Terry and Judy Boyer
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Janet Hano and Larry Kling
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Joann Shinkle, Carol MacCluskie, Fr. Arthur Powell

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"Room to Grow"
Michael Bruce
Caleb Foulke Garden Group
Indian Walk Garden Club
Island Heights Garden Club
Erin Lawes and Alissa Kegelman
Roots & Shoots

Tables

"The Fruits of My Labor"
Four Counties Garden Club
The Garden Class of Women's Community Club of Uwchlan
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The Garden Workers
Norristown Garden Club
Wissahickon Garden Club

Urns

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Countryside Garden Club of Delaware
The Gardeners
Greene Countrie Garden Club
Random Garden Club

"Celebration!"
The Garden Club of Wilmington
Penn Valley Garden Club
The Planters
Providence Garden Club

Window Boxes/Lamp Posts

"Some Like it Cold"
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The Garden Club of Philadelphia
Gardeners of Rose Valley
Carla Sabrina Pomponi and Irene Sobotincic
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ACTIVITIES

BROWN-BAG LUNCHES

WINTER TREE CARE

Tuesday, February 5, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

As part of our brown-bag lunch series on seasonal tree care, ISA certified arborist **Lou Giroud** will discuss tips for keeping trees healthy in winter. Topics will include tree inspections and preventing winter storm damage, as well as the basics of winter tree care. Bring your tree questions; ample time will be provided for problem solving. Lou Giroud is founder and president of Giroud's Tree Service. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

NATIVE SPRING-BLOOMING WILDFLOWERS

Wednesday, March 20, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Whether you're an outdoor adventurer, an armchair traveler, or a gardener who wants to explore native plants, this program is for you. Landscape architect and naturalist **Michael LoFurno** will offer a look at the

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FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor the second of two six-week courses, Woody Plants of Fairmount Park: Past, Present and Future. Beginning in March, this course is free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23.**

WOODY PLANTS OF FAIRMOUNT PARK: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Six Mondays, March 25 – April 29, 7:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Using information from early literature and herbarium specimens, **Professor Alfred E. Schuyler** will show us how the woody flora in Fairmount Park has changed from the 18th century to the present. We will consider the impacts of human activities and invasive biota on plant diversity during the past 200 years. Finally, we will discuss management procedures to achieve and maintain the desired level of biodiversity in Fairmount Park.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is associated with the Wagner Free Institute of Science, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Henry Foundation for Botanical Research.

diminutive pyxie moss, stately trilliums, enchanting lady's slippers, and many more. From the rare to the common, there will be just enough taxonomy and plenty of pictures to whet your appetite for backwoods exploring or garden-center shopping. Celebrate the first day of spring with a sneak preview of spring-blooming wildflowers for our area. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS: PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

A GARDEN FOR THE SENSES

Thursday, February 7, 10:00 – 11:00 am
J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery Inc., Southampton, NJ

The 2002 Flower Show will include J. Cugliotta's magnificent central feature exhibit, "Garden for the Senses." Take advantage of this unique opportunity to indulge in a special behind-the-scenes tour of the exhibit-in-progress. **Joe Cugliotta** and his staff will share their secrets and stories and show you how they are creating the ultimate garden for the senses. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

GROWING PLANTS FOR THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Tuesday, February 19, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peak at many of the more unusual plants he's growing for major exhibitors at the 2002 Flower Show. This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook's greenhouses will also focus on the art of forcing plants for the Show, and you'll find out about Meadowbrook's own 2002 exhibit. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

WORKSHOPS

CREATING A STANDARD

Thursday, February 14, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ever wonder how you can create a formal, tree-like form with some of your favorite bushy plants? **Julie Horoutunian**, who creates the standards and topiaries grown at Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate the mechanics and techniques for training houseplants and annuals as topiary and standard forms. After demonstrations with a variety of plants, including geraniums, fuchsias, lantana and ivy, participants will create their own standards of myrtle (*Myrtus communis*) to take home in a 4" clay pot. Please bring scissors or clippers; all other materials will be provided. Fee: $38 members; $40 non-members.

PROPAGATING PERENNIALS

Tuesday, March 26, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give an overview of the theories and techniques for propagating perennials in the spring. John will demonstrate the three most common methods of propagation: stem cuttings, root cuttings, and root division. He'll also explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will receive hand-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. Fee: $24 members; $29 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Winter Tree Care	2/5	Fee: $5	_____	_____
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☐ Growing Plants for the Flower Show	2/19	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Creating a Standard	2/14	Fee: $38/$40	_____	_____
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Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
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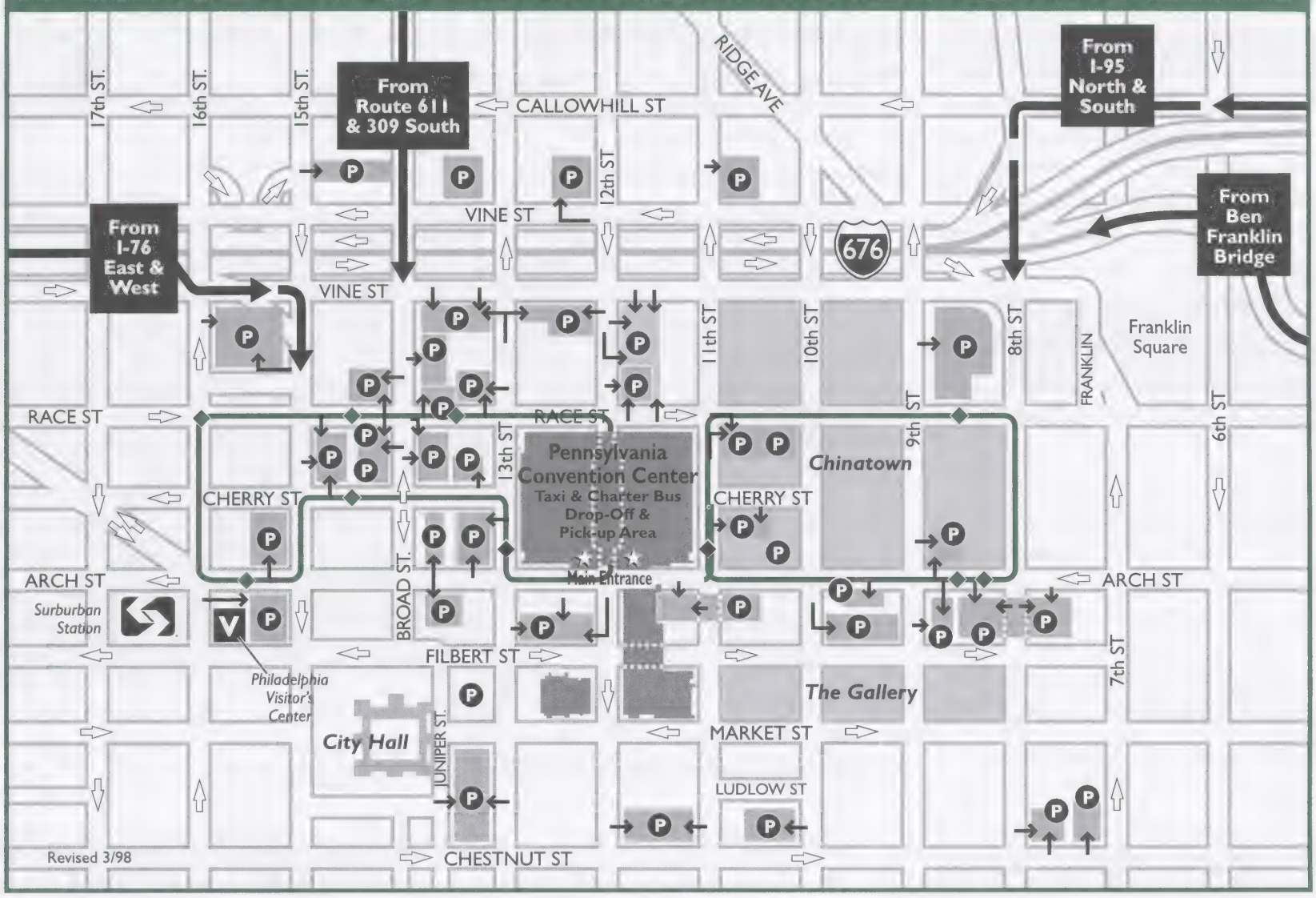
FLOWER SHOW PARKING MAP



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PHS ON DISPLAY AT THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

While at the Flower Show, be sure to stop at the special PHS exhibits and booths on the main Show floor. Visit the **PHS Flower Show Shoppe**, next to the Central Feature exhibits, where you can buy Flower Show mugs, the 2002 Flower Show video, and your favorite PHS items such as tee-shirts, hats, sweat shirts and lots of other garden-related merchandise. PHS members receive a 10% discount. (Please be sure to bring your membership card.)

This year, you'll also find a special commemorative plate to celebrate the Society's 175th Anniversary. Nearby, you'll find friendly volunteers at the PHS Membership booth. Visit the **Philadelphia Green exhibit** (described in the February *PHS News*) to learn about the work of PHS's urban greening program, which is transforming neighborhoods and public landscapes throughout Philadelphia.

And don't miss the **Gold Medal Plants exhibit**, which showcases winners of PHS Gold Medal Plant Awards, recognizing outstanding trees, shrubs, vines and groundcovers for use in Zones 5–7. The exhibit offers an up-close look at Gold Medal plants in a garden setting. Volunteers from the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association (PLNA) will be on hand to answer questions.

This year's display will emphasize Gold Medal plants that tolerate wet conditions. Three of the four 2002 winners will be included—*Buxus sempervirens* 'Vardar Valley' (boxwood), *Malus* 'Adirondack' (crabapple), and *Physocarpus opulifolius* 'Diablo' Diabolo™ (eastern ninebark).

For more information and a complete list of all 77 Gold Medal plants, please visit **www.goldmedalplants.com** *or contact Joe Ziccardi at (215) 988-8824 or* jziccard@pennhort.org

See you at the Show!

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An Ongoing Pleasure

I imagine that colleagues who work for nonprofit organizations receive a question similar to the one I have often heard recently: "How have the downturn in the economy and the events of September 11th affected PHS?"

In a few words—a lot in some ways and, yet, not much in others. "A lot" refers to the increasing importance people place on everything that relates to horticulture, be it gaining pleasure from their own gardens or the impact parks and open space have in their communities. In September and October, members repeatedly told me of the joy and comfort they experienced when they were raking leaves, planting bulbs or puttering around outside. Some also told me that since they want to stay close to home this summer, they are figuring on spending more time in their gardens. Over the winter they have been developing plans, sowing seeds and setting the stage for exciting garden activities in 2002.

As I write in late January, there's lots of excitement about the 2002 Philadelphia Flower Show. Our ticket-sales phone lines are ringing off the hook, and our exhibitors are buzzing with plans. From their customers and members, they get the same feeling we do—that gardening and all the reassurance it provides have reached a new level of importance for many people. So, on one level, things have changed a lot at PHS in the past six months, in a very positive way.

When I say "not much," I refer to our fundraising activities. Members and friends, foundations and corporations continue to give very generously to PHS through a variety of avenues ranging from membership solicitation to annual and planned giving. We are indeed grateful for your generosity and we thank you, dear members, for continuing to be such PHS champions. We look forward to enjoying the "Pleasures of the Garden" with all of you at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS president*

PHS's "GROWING YOUR FUTURE" PROGRAM RECEIVES NATIONAL AWARD

Growing Your Future, a festive one-day career fair for 200 eighth graders in Philadelphia, has received the National Arbor Day Foundation Education Award for 2002. Created by Mindy Maslin, manager of Philadelphia Green's Tree Tenders project, along with Penn State urban forester Julianne Schieffer, the annual event is designed to introduce middle-school students to careers in horticultural and environmental fields. Students explore "green" careers at interactive stations staffed by working professionals, and teachers learn about educational resources and service-learning opportunities.

Mindy Maslin

In addition to Philadelphia Green and the Penn State School of Forest Resources, the Pennsylvania Urban and Community Forestry Council, Penn State Cooperative Extension, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co., the Fairmount Park Commission, and the School District of Philadelphia all play significant roles in organizing Growing Your Future.

Students enjoy an activity station at the 2001 Growing Your Future.

The award will be presented to Mindy and Julianne at the 30th annual National Arbor Day Awards Banquet on April 27 in Nebraska City, Nebraska.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: LIBBY HILL

As the Philadelphia Flower Show approaches, life becomes especially hectic for Libby Hill, chair of the Competitive Classes Committee for the 2002 Show. But serving as chair is really a year-round job.

"For instance, right now [in late January], we're writing the Exhibitor's Guide for 2003," Libby explains. "In the winter, we announce the class titles and themes for the following year, and then in May, we start meeting with exhibitors to help them work out their ideas." The committee continues to hold meetings with exhibitors throughout the year.

Libby became involved with PHS and the Flower Show through her own experience as an exhibitor with her garden club, "The Gardeners." The group mounts a big exhibit about every other year. Libby, who lives in Radnor, has been a member since 1971.

Eventually, Libby was asked to chair the "walled area" class (now called "Entryways"), and she served for six years before moving on to the Container Classes. After that, she was Competitive Classes vice-chair for two years before becoming chair. Libby is also a member of the Flower Show Executive Committee.

Once the Show begins to take shape, the Competitive Classes chair oversees the installation of all exhibits in the Competitive Classes section, which is a big job considering that this encompasses roughly one third of the entire Flower Show. Libby is also responsible for making sure there are enough volunteers to work with the exhibitors.

Walt Fisher

"The people involved with the Flower Show are wonderful," says Libby. "I think people who grow plants are optimistic by nature, so everyone is really enthusiastic." She adds, "It's a big challenge and it keeps me busy all year long, but it's a lot of fun."

– Jane Carroll

GARDEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT PHS SITES IN CENTER CITY

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, through its Philadelphia Green program, helps to revitalize and beautify important public landscapes in Philadelphia's downtown areas. Like so many other PHS efforts, these plantings depend on volunteers to keep them looking their best. Regularly scheduled gardening days are held from March through November at the following sites in Center City. Activities begin at 9 am and end at 12 noon. Gardening days are re-scheduled in the event of heavy rain. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865 or *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

Philadelphia Museum of Art

Join the "Museum Green" volunteers on the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art on Saturday, April 6 and Saturday, November 2. Meet in the East courtyard.

The newly restored East Courtyard at the Philadelphia Museum of Art

Azalea Garden • *3rd Saturday of each month*

Help maintain the lovely Azalea Garden, located directly behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art. [*Note: the first gardening day is March 23rd, which is the 4th Saturday in March. And May's gardening day is on the 11th, just before the Azalea Garden Party.*]

"Ribbon of Gold" • *Second Saturday of each month*

The Ribbon of Gold includes two sites—the Eastern State Penitentiary and the median plantings along Spring Garden Street. For the Penitentiary, meet at the main entrance on Fairmount Avenue near 21st Street. For Spring Garden Street, meet at 19th & Spring Garden Streets. [*Note: In March and September, gardening days are moved to the 3rd Saturday because of the Philadelphia Flower Show and the Harvest Show.*]

175 YEARS OF GREAT GARDENING

Following is an excerpt from a news item published in American Farmer, *dated October 1, 1830:*

"The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society held a special meeting on Wednesday evening [September 22, 1830] at the Washington Hall, for the purpose of exhibiting to the members and their friends the Fruits of the season, the growth of our city and vicinity. The notice was short, but the collection brought to the room was extensive, and gave great satisfaction…"

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THE GREENING OF HAVANA

Philadelphia Green Staff Members Visit Cuba

With guidance from the Rodale Institute, a leader in organic research, many of us on the Philadelphia Green staff have been working to increase our understanding of organic gardening methods.

Through this collaboration with Rodale, Philadelphia Green project manager Eileen Gallagher, Iris Brown of the Norris Square Neighborhood Project, and I had an opportunity last November to visit Cuba, where a highly successful program in organic urban agriculture is transforming the landscape and its people. The trip was organized by Global Exchange, a nonprofit organization that leads international tours.

To appreciate the magnitude of Cuba's accomplishments in urban agriculture, it helps to know that the country has been struggling for decades with a widespread economic crisis and food shortage. With the fall of the Soviet Union in the late 1980s, Cuba—which had been heavily dependent on the USSR—lost access to much of its imported supplies and export revenues. Because of the long-standing trade embargo and limited resources, the island nation had little choice but to move toward agricultural independence. To that end, the country is returning to traditional methods—including hand- and animal-drawn cultivation—complemented by the latest organic knowledge. The new approach has greatly reduced food shortages and has boosted the overall economy as well.

Our group of 12 visited Havana City and its immediate outskirts, known as Havana Province. Havana City alone is now home to hundreds of organic urban gardens, ranging from 2 to 10 acres. About 1,300 government-salaried gardeners tend the gardens, along with students who work there as part of their education. Growers receive training at regional centers, and government media campaigns promote the benefits of eating fresh vegetables, so demand for organic produce is growing.

Cuba's efforts to turn vacant lots into productive organic food gardens may offer some useful models as we work to improve the urban landscape in Philadelphia. We are currently working with Rodale to develop organic gardening workshops and educational signboards for our community gardens. We are also exploring ways to make locally grown produce more accessible to urban residents. For example, we hope to bring some of the food grown in Philadelphia Green's "Keystone Gardens" to the neighborhood farmers' markets that have recently sprung up across the city.

– John Verin, Philadelphia Green project coordinator

An urban garden in Havana

To learn more about Cuba's efforts or organic gardening, please call Eileen Gallagher at (215) 988-8880 or John Verin, at (215) 988-8885. Slide presentations for groups can be arranged.
Also visit *www.rodaleinstitute.org* and *www.globalexchange.org*

Walt Fisher

Note: For plant society websites, visit the website of the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta (www.aabga.org). Click on "related links."

Public Gardens, Arboreta, & Educational Facilities

Historic Bartram's Garden
Annual Native Plant Sale, May 4, 10 am – 4 pm
54th & Lindbergh Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Michele DiGirolamo, (215) 729-5281
www.bartramsgarden.org

Brandywine Conservancy Wildflower & Native Plant Gardens
Annual Wildflower, Native Plant and Seed Sale
May 11 – 12, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm
Brandywine River Museum, Courtyard
US Route 1, Chadds Ford, PA
Contact: Mark Gormel, (610) 388-8327
www.brandywinemuseum.org

Churchville Nature Center
Wildflower Sale, May 4 – 5, 9a m – 5 pm
Ongoing: Plant Sale, Spring through Fall
Specialize in Natives and Wildlife plants
501 Churchville Lane, Churchville, PA
Contact: Marlin Corn, (215) 357-4005
www.bucksnet.com/cnc

Cleveland Botanical Garden
Flower Show, Largest outdoor show in North America
May 30 – June 2, 10 am – 8 pm
Fee: $12 advance, $18 at door
Cleveland Botanical Garden, 11030 East Boulevard, Cleveland, OH
Contact: Trisia Romano, (216) 721-1600, ext. 175
www.cbgarden.org

Dumbarton Oaks
Symposium Studies, "Sacred Ritual Practices in Gardens and Landscapes," May 10 –11, call for registration
Dumbarton Oaks, 1703 32nd St., Washington, DC
Contact: Sheila Gagen, (202) 339-6460
www.doaks.org

Frelinghuysen Arboretum
14th Frelinghuysen Arboretum Harvest Show & Plant Sale, September 13 – 15
Harvest Show: Friday 12:30 – 7 pm, Saturday 11 am – 5 pm, Sunday 11 am – 5 pm
Plant Sale: Daily 11 am – 5 pm
Free, open to public
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
www.parks.morris.nj.us

Friends of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
Morris County Park Commission
Annual Plant Sale, May 4, 9 am – 5 pm
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Pam Wilson, (973) 326-7600

Henry Foundation for Botanical Research
Plant Sale: Native, New and Notable, April 25 – 27
Friday, Members' Only Day, Saturday and Sunday free, open to public, Call for specific hours
801 Stony Lane (off Henry Lane), Gladwyne, PA
Contact: Frederica Hammerstrom, (610) 525-2037
www.gladwyne.com/henry_foundation.htm

Irvine Nature Center
Annual Native Plant Seminar and Sale, August 24
Seminar: 9 am – 12 pm, Plant Sale: 9 am – 3 pm
Fee: $60 for Seminar, Plant Sale free to public
8400 Greenspring Avenue, Stevenson, MD
Contact: Roseann Glick, (410) 484-2413
www.explorenature.org

Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania
David Rogers Big Bugs, April 1 – June 30
Plant Sale, May 11 – 12
Saturday 10 am – 5 pm, Sunday 10 am – 4 `pm
Fee: Morris Arboretum admission
100 Northwestern Avenue, Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Christine Pape, (215) 247-5777
www.upenn.edu/morris

Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College
Arbor Day Celebration, April 27, 10 am – 2 pm
500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA
Contact: Allison Necaise, (610) 328-8025
www.scottarboretum.org

Tyler Arboretum
Arbor Day Plant Sale, April 27, 9 am–3 pm
515 Painter Road, Media, PA
Contact: Kate Farrell, (610) 566-9134
www.tylerarboretum.org

University of Delaware Botanic Gardens
Plant Sale, April 26 – 27, preorder only
Friday, 2 – 8 pm, Saturday 9 am – 4 pm
Fischer Greenhouse (behind Townsend Hall)
Newark Campus, University of Delaware, Newark, DE
Contact: Dr. John Frett, (302) 831-2531
http://ag.udel.edu/udbg/index.htm

Garden Clubs

Delaware Nature Society
Copeland Native Plant Seminar, March 16, 9 am – 4 pm
Fee: TBA
Native Plant Sale, May 4 – 5
Saturday 9 am – 5 pm, Sunday 10 am – 3 pm
Free, open to public
Ashland Nature Center, Brackenville and Barley Mill Roads, Hockessin, DE
Contact: Linda Young, (302) 239-2334

The Providence Garden Club of Pennsylvania
54th Annual Plant Sale, May 4, 9 am – 2 pm
106 New Middletown Road, Media, PA
Contact: Kay Yost, (601) 565-6292

Tamanend Park Herb Garden Club
Herb Sale, May 18 – 19, 9 am – 3 pm
Free, open to public
Tamanend Park, 2nd Street Pike, Southampton, PA
Contact: Peggy Rastiello, (215) 441-8861

African Violets

Tri-State African Violet Council
Show & Sale, November 2 – 3
Saturday 1 – 4 pm, Sunday 10 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

African Violet Club of Morris County
Plant Show and Sale, April 6 – 7
Saturday: 1:30 – 5 pm, Sunday 10 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Azaleas

Brookside Chapter of the Azalea Society of America
Azalea Sale, May 11, 8 am
Tilden School, Old Georgetown Road, North of Tuckerhan Lane, Bethesda, MD
Plant Sale, May 19, 10 am
Brookside Gardens, 1500 Glenallen Avenue, Wheaton, MD
Contact: Debra White, (301) 831-9164

Bonsai

Great Swamp Bonsai Society
Exhibit and Demonstration, June 8, 10 am – 3 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Cactus and Succulents

Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society
Plant Sale, May 4 – 5, 10 am – 5 pm
Historic Peddlers Village, Lahaska, PA
Contact: Susan Wexler, (215) 843-1606

Chrysanthemums

New Jersey State Chrysanthemum Society
The National Chrysanthemum Show & Sale, October 12 – 13
Saturday 2 – 6 pm, Sunday 1 – 5 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Daffodils

New Jersey Daffodil Society
27th Annual Daffodil Show, April 26 – 27
Friday 1 – 5 pm, Saturday 10 am – 5 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Shirley Cameron, (201) 569-9257

Dahlias

Greater Philadelphia Dahlia Society
Plant Sale, May 18, 10:30 am
Waterloo Gardens, 136 Lancaster Ave., Devon, PA
Dahlia Show, September 21, 10 am
Longwood Gardens, Rt. 1, Kennett Square, PA
Contact: Steve Thomas, (610) 644-4581

Daylillies

Delaware Valley Daylily Society
Flower Show, June 29
Paoli Presbyterian Church
225 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA
Daylily Sale and Auction, August 24
Church of the Good Samaritan
Route 30 & Paoli Pike, Paoli, PA
Free admission for both events
Contact: William Graboyes
(610) 356-4833

Ferns

Delaware Valley Fern & Wildflower Society
Annual Meeting & Slide Lecture, November 16, 10 am
Horticulture Center, 10 Horticulture Drive,
Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, PA
Fern & Wildflower Trips, April – September, TBA
Contact: Bill Bondell, (610) 647-9337

Gloxinias & Gesneraiads

American Gloxinias & Gesneraiad Society
51st International Annual Convention
July 3 – 6, call for hours
Fee: Registration only
Flower Show, July 5 – 6
(Friday 2:15 – 5 pm,
Saturday 9 am – 2pm)
Plant Sale, July 5 – 6
(Friday 2:15 – 5 pm,
Saturday 9 am–1 pm)
Free, open to public
Headquarters Plaza Hotel, 3
Headquarters Plaza, Morristown, NJ
Contact: Quentin Schlieder, (973) 326-7610

American Gloxinias & Gesneraiad Society
Liberty Bell Chapter
Propagation Workshops & Speakers
September – May, 7:30, 3rd Tuesday every month
Location: TBA
Monthly meetings, September – May, 7:30, 3rd Tuesday every month
Location: Members homes, TBA
Spring & Fall Plant Sale, TBA
Contact: Laura Shannon, (215) 247-8527

Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneraiad Society
Show and Sale, October 6, 10 am – 3 pm
Free, open to public
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Quentin Schlieder, (973) 326-7610

Herbs

Herb Society of America, Delaware Valley Unit
Plant Sale, May 18 – 19
Saturday 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday 1 – 4 pm
Holcomb-Jimson Farmstead, Route 29,
Lambertville, NJ
Contact: Rees and Meghan Davis, (908) 996-3318

Herb Society of America, Northern New Jersey Unit
32nd Annual Herb Sale, May 18, 10 am – 2 pm
"Herbal Legends, Folklore, and the Fairie Garden"
Delbarton School, Rt. 24, Mendham Road,
Morristown, NJ
Contact: Gail Masson, (908) 459-9223

Herb Society of America, Philadelphia Unit
63rd Annual Herb Society Sale, May 9, 10 am – 2 pm
Fee: Lunch, by reservation
Historic Yellow Springs Institute, Art School Road,
Chester Springs, PA
Contact: Kathy Bepler (610) 566-6261

Hostas

Delaware Valley Hosta Society
Hosta Show and Sale, March 16
Show: 2 pm, Plant Sale: 12:30 pm
Free, open to public
Brandywine Valley Park Inn and Suites
US 1 and US 202, Glen Mills, PA
Contact: Eva Jones, (410) 939-3871

Irises

Garden State Iris Society – AID Region 19
Plant Sale, July 21, 10 am – 2 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600

Orchids

Greater Philadelphia Orchid Council
14th Annual Speakers Forum, April 20, 8:30 am – 4 pm
Speakers: Jose Portilla, Orchids of Ecuador; Nancy Mountford, The Search for Blue Phals; Ivan Komoda, Waterfall Miltoniopsis Breeding
Fee: $30 includes lunch
Wyndam Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ
Contact: Lois Duffin, (215) 248-3626

Greater Philadelphia Orchid Society
Orchid Preview and Auction, September 19
Preview: 7 pm, Auction: 7:30 pm
Monthly Meeting, 4th Thursday, 8 pm
(3rd Thursday in November & December)
Merion Friends Activity Center
615 Montgomery Avenue, Narberth, PA
Contact: Lois Duffin, (215) 248-3626

Southeastern PA Orchid Society
Orchid Auction, Fall 2002, TBA
Educational Meetings, September – May, 2nd Wednesday each month, 7 pm
Freedom Foundation, Martha Washington Building,
Valley Forge, PA
Contact: Deborah Robinson, (610) 827-7445

South Jersey Orchid Society
Annual Orchid Auction, November 17, 1 pm
Wenonah Methodist Church
Willow and South Clinton Streets, Wenonah, NJ
Contact: Karen Walko, (856) 256-4184

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Perennials & Woody Plants

Hardy Plant Society/Mid Atlantic Group
Gardeners' Market, August 24, 9 am – 2 pm
Free, open to public
Frazier Mennonite Church, 65 Maple Linden Lane,
Malvern, PA
Contact: Cindi Kistler, (610) 458-8287

Perennial Plant Association
Perennial Plant Symposium, July 7 – 13, 8 am – 5 pm
Fee: Call for registration and fee
Hyatt Regency, O'Hare, Chicago, IL
Contact: Steven Still, (614) 771-8431

Rhododendrons

American Rhododendron Society, Valley Forge Chapter
Flower (Truss) Show, May 12, 1 – 5 pm
Fee: Longwood Gardens general admission
Longwood Gardens, Route 1, Kennett Square, PA
Plant Sale, May 4 – 5
Saturday 9am – 3pm, Sunday 11 am – 3 pm
Jenkins Arboretum, 631 Berwyn and Baptist Road,
Devon, PA
For directions only call: (610) 647-8870
Contact: Jim Gears, (610) 793-2313

Rock Garden

North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter
Rock Garden Plant Show, April 13, 10 am
Speaker, Norm Deno: "Letting Plants Grow Wild"
Greater Plymouth Community Center
2910 Jolly Road, Plymouth Meeting, PA
Plant Sales, June 1 and September 14, 10 am
Fee: Must be a member
Robbins Nature Center, Ambler, PA
Contact: Jill Evans, (610) 279-9762

Roses

American Rose Society
American Rose Society Fall Convention, September 12 – 16
Speakers (including Jane Pepper), garden tours
Adams Mark Hotel
City Line Avenue, Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Kevin Glaes at (610) 926-4428

Delaware Chester Rose Society
41st Annual Rose Show, June 8, 1 – 6pm
(entries 6 – 10am)
Longwood Gardens, Rt. 1, Kennett Square, PA
Fee: Longwood Gardens admission
Contact: Elaine Adler,
(610) 692-5631

Philadelphia Rose Society
Rose Show, June 2, 1–5 pm
Morris Arboretum
100 Northwestern Avenue,
Philadelphia PA
Fee: Morris Arboretum admission
Rose Sale, November 16, 8 – 10 am
Free, open to public
Morris Arboretum maintenance yard
(across the street from main gate)
Contact: Dave Wolff, (215) 345-6575

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

WORKSHOPS FOR NEW HOMEOWNERS AND CITY GARDENERS

Beginning in April, PHS will offer two new workshop series specifically designed to meet the needs of new homeowners and city gardeners. The workshops will focus on creating a garden plan.

The new homeowners' workshop series is designed for owners of newly constructed homes, who are starting a new garden, beginning with a "blank slate." It will meet in Bucks County on three Saturdays: April 6, April 13, and May 4.

The workshop for city gardeners will offer tips for dealing with urban conditions, including limited space, limited sunlight, container gardening and security. The city gardeners' workshops will be held on two Tuesday evenings, April 30 and May 7, and the weekend of May 18.

For locations, times, and additional information, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org* or visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT HEALING GARDENS OF FRIENDS HOSPITAL

On Saturday, April 13, 2002, from 10 am to 2 pm, Friends Hospital will hold its third annual "Gardening with Friends," a spring cleanup of the Hospital's 100-acre garden campus.

Adults and children are needed to participate in light gardening tasks such as raking, weeding, pruning and mulching. A light lunch will be offered.

The healing gardens, which feature 20,000 azaleas, 245 kinds of trees and 275 species of shrubs, have been a critical part of the Hospital's treatment since it opened its doors in 1813. Volunteers help ensure that the grounds remain a beautiful, healing environment for patients and visitors in the Philadelphia area.

Interested volunteers, please call (215) 831-7803 for more information or to sign up. The event will be held rain or shine. Individuals interested in other ongoing gardening projects at Friends Hospital may call Mona Gold at (215) 831-4682.

BROWN-BAG LUNCHES

NATIVE SPRING-BLOOMING WILDFLOWERS

Wednesday, March 20, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Whether you're an outdoor adventurer, an armchair traveler, or a gardener who wants to explore native plants, this program is for you. Landscape architect and naturalist **Michael LoFurno** will offer a look at the diminutive pyxie moss, stately trilliums, enchanting lady's slippers, and many more. From the rare to the common, there will be just enough taxonomy and plenty of pictures to whet your appetite for backwoods exploring or garden-center shopping. Celebrate the first day of spring with a sneak preview of spring-blooming wildflowers for our area. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

SPRING TREE CARE

Wednesday, April 10, 12:00 – 1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

The final session in our brown-bag lunch series on seasonal tree care will address the all-important issue of choosing the right tree for your site, as well as dealing with tree pests and diseases. ISA certified arborist **Lou Giroud**, founder and president of Giroud's Tree Service, will answer your questions. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor the second of two six-week courses, *Woody Plants of Fairmount Park: Past, Present and Future*. Beginning in March, this course is free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23.**

WOODY PLANTS OF FAIRMOUNT PARK: PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

Six Mondays, March 25 – April 29, 7:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

Using information from early literature and herbarium specimens, **Professor Alfred E. Schuyler** will show us how the woody flora in Fairmount Park has changed from the 18th century to the present. We will consider the impacts of human activities and invasive biota on plant diversity during the past 200 years. Finally, we will discuss management procedures to achieve and maintain the desired level of biodiversity in Fairmount Park.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is associated with the Wagner Free Institute of Science, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Henry Foundation for Botanical Research.

WORKSHOPS

PROPAGATING PERENNIALS

Tuesday, March 26, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give an overview of the theories and techniques for propagating perennials in the spring. John will demonstrate the three most common methods of propagation: stem cuttings, root cuttings, and root division. He'll also explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will receive hands-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. Fee: $24 members; $29 non-members.

SPRING BULB CONTAINERS

Wednesday, April 3, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Why wait until summer to plant your garden containers? In this workshop each participant will plant a spring-blooming container with his/her choice of plants that tolerate a light frost, including forced hardy bulbs, and companion annuals and tender perennials. **Nanci Walsh**, Retail Manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce you to a broad selection of colorful plants and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your container throughout the season. All materials, including containers and plants, are provided. Fee: $50 members, $60 non-members.

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 17, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Prezemek Walczak, horticulturist at Chanticleer and certified ISA arborist, will discuss all aspects of pruning. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning, dos and don'ts, proper tools, their uses and how to care for them, and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES

STRAWBERRY JARS

Thursday, April 18, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Strawberry jars offer unique opportunities for displaying plants and present special challenges. In this workshop, each participant will plant a strawberry jar with plants that tolerate a light frost, including forced hardy bulbs, companion annuals and tender perennials. **Nanci Walsh**, Retail Manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will help you choose plants and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your container throughout the season. All materials, including strawberry jars and plants, will be provided. Fee: $50 members, $60 non-members.

WALKS

NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Wednesday, April 24, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Karl Rider** will discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives to use for difficult garden conditions. The program includes a tour of the gorgeous grounds at Meadowbrook, with special focus on native plants. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

LECTURES

INTERNATIONAL LECTURE SERIES: ROSEMARY VEREY AND THE GARDENS AT BARNSLEY HOUSE

Tuesday, April 9, 6:00 pm, Location to be announced

Please join us for this very special account of the life and accomplishments of renowned British gardener and author **Rosemary Verey**, told from the unique view of her son, Charles Verey. Charles will share family history and early diaries and anecdotes, which until now have only been available to the family. He will also trace the evolution of his mother's interest in and contributions to the art of gardening.

Charles Verey's early training in art has led him to paint portraits and teach art to schoolchildren. Thirty years ago he became a carpenter and continues to design and create furniture today. He was born in 1940, when his mother was 21, and enjoyed a long, close relationship with her for 60 years. He has lived at Barnsley House with his wife and daughter since 1988 and took charge of the garden there in 1998. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Native Spring Blooming Wildflowers	3/20	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Spring Tree Care	4/10	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Propagating Perennials	3/26	Fee: $24/$29	_____	_____
☐ Spring Bulb Containers	4/3	Fee: $50/$60	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs	4/17	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Strawberry Jars	4/18	Fee: $50/$60	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/24	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Rosemary Verey and the Gardens at Barnley House	4/9	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
		TOTAL:		$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

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Signature: _____

Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

PHS TRIPS

GARDENS OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA: PITTSBURGH AND ENVIRONS

May 28 – 31, 2002

Join us for the first PHS trip to the Pittsburgh area. With help from the Horticultural Society of Western Pennsylvania, we've put together an interesting, four-day itinerary that includes outstanding private gardens and fascinating public exhibits. We'll visit the Phipps Conservatory, as well as the lesser-known Hunt Institute at Carnegie Mellon University, a collection of rare botanical books and prints.

We'll travel to Pittsburgh by private motor coach and will stay at two hotels—the Omni William Penn, located in the heart of the city, and the deluxe Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in the Laurel Highlands, southeast of Pittsburgh. We'll also visit Fallingwater, the famous Frank Lloyd Wright house. Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group.

BURGUNDY: GARDENS OF DELIGHT

June 7 – 19, 2002

PHS president Jane Pepper will take members to the wine-producing region of Burgundy, France to visit private gardens, impressive chateau gardens, and the cloistered garden of Fontenay, as well as cities with magnificent medieval architecture. We will pass through the scenic wine country of the Côte d'Or and the Côte de Beaune and taste the famous wine at Fuissé. We will sample cheese at Époisses and take a boat ride on the Saône River from Châlon to Tournus. Members will stay in the old city of Dijon in Tournus and at La Côte St. Jacques in Joigny. Tour leaders Nancy Hastings and Lana Crawford Rogers have run French tours for PHS in prior years. Ms. Rogers has lived in Paris for more than two decades.

GARDENS OF GERMANY: HANNOVER TO MUNICH

June 25 – July 9, 2002

Join us for an exciting garden tour to Germany, featuring private and public gardens of Hannover, Stuttgart, Freiburg, Lindau on Lake Constance, and Munich. We'll see sophisticated cities, charming villages, and breathtaking scenery, wending our way from Hannover in the north through the Romantic Road and the Black Forest region. We'll visit lovely towns and islands on Lake Constance and travel through the Bavarian Alps into Munich.

Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership Manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, will accompany the group. Erika Shank, a German-born photographer and gardener from Long Island, will be our guide.

To receive a copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or email *bgullan@pennhort.org*

Itineraries are also available on the PHS website at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*

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PHILADELPHIA GREEN PARTNERS WITH CITY'S NEIGHBORHOOD TRANSFORMATION INITIATIVE

William Penn's original vision of Philadelphia as a "greene countrie towne" has often seemed beyond reach. First the industrial revolution gobbled up farmland and open space in Philadelphia for over a hundred years. Then, in the last five decades, as industry declined and residents moved to the suburbs in droves, open space has reappeared in the form of tens of thousands of blighted vacant lots.

In the mid-1990s, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Philadelphia Green program began addressing the issue of vacant land through a series of published reports that analyzed the causes of vacancy and proposed solutions. Philadelphia Green has since been actively working on the problem, "stabilizing" vacant land by planting grass and trees and installing fences. "This work is intended to help people view the land as an asset rather than a liability," says Philadelphia Green director Mike Groman. So far nearly 1,000 parcels of land have been "cleaned and greened."

Building on early successes—first in the New Kensington neighborhood and then in the American Street Empowerment Zone in lower North Philadelphia—Philadelphia Green is now partnering with the city to bring a similar process of lot stabilization to other parts of Philadelphia. In June 2001, vacant lots in eight neighborhoods became the kick-off sites for an ambitious citywide effort, which is on its way to clearing debris and weeds from 31,000 parcels in the first year. This spring, those eight sites will be further improved with trees, new soil, grass and wood fencing, creating park-like settings for relaxation and recreation.

These improvements represent the first phase of a comprehensive approach to land management being developed by Philadelphia Green in partnership with the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (Mayor John Street's anti-blight campaign). The effort is designed to demonstrate that basic improvements to vacant land, along with a plan for regular maintenance, can play a key role in revitalizing struggling urban neighborhoods.

Philadelphia Green manages the project, with funding supplied by the city and the William Penn Foundation. Philadelphia Green provides technical assistance, design services, landscape management and community education. Community organizers from the Mayor's Office of Community Services have been holding neighborhood meetings with block organizations and other interested residents to plan for the use and ongoing maintenance of improved sites. Contractors began working on March 15 and are expected to finish by early May. They will maintain the sites through the fall, and the community will play a larger role in caring for them in subsequent years.

While this project is one of the first visible manifestations of the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, other plans are rapidly taking shape, including demolition of as many as 14,000 dangerous abandoned buildings over the next five years. Some of the resulting vacant lots will be planted with trees and grass and others will be kept free of debris with periodic cleanings. The city will reserve a number of lots for future development opportunities, while other parcels will be kept as permanent green space.

– Bob Grossmann
Philadelphia Green Program Manager

A vacant lot on the 2000 block of North 6th Street, before restoration (top) and after.

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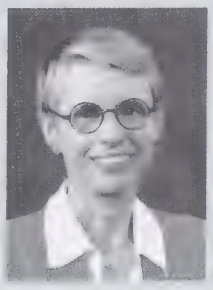
PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Think "Gold Medal" this Spring



When you gather a group of "hort heads" in a room at PHS, the Latin names fly around, as do the hearty compliments for some plants and careful criticisms of others. Such is the intense atmosphere that surrounds the selection of winners of the annual PHS Gold Medal Plant Awards. The award winners are hardy and beautiful trees, shrubs and woody vines that are perfectly adapted to growing in our area (Zones 5–7).

As you plan your garden this spring, I encourage you to take advantage of the expertise of our wonderful "hort head" evaluators who choose the plants to receive these awards. The **Gold Medal** program is a favorite of mine. I was a new volunteer at PHS in the late 1970s when J. Franklin Styer, the well-known and much-loved Delaware Valley nurseryman, offered PHS a contribution for the development of a plant award program. Ernesta Ballard, then PHS president, asked me to bring a group of horticulturists together to create a program that would fulfill Dr. Styer's goal of increasing the availability of really good plants for area gardeners. From these discussions the Gold Medal program was born.

Today, some of the same horticulturists who gathered 20 years ago still serve on our committee of Gold Medal evaluators, while others have recently joined the group. Given their backgrounds as landscapers, home gardeners, nurserymen and keepers of extensive plant collections in public horticulture, you can certainly depend on their choices. Grateful thanks to all our evaluators (listed at right) for the time and expertise they give to PHS so gardeners can make informed decisions when shopping for plants.

Recently, we have benefited greatly from the support of the **Chanticleer Foundation** in promoting this program. Chanticleer has helped us fund the production of a Gold Medal exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show for the past three years. In addition, funds from Chanticleer made it possible for us to hire Gold Medal coordinator Joe Ziccardi. Joe encourages local nurseries to develop Gold Medal displays and sales areas, so customers can easily locate and learn about these plants.

So, as you try to decide on the perfect tree, shrub or woody vine for your garden this spring, turn first to the Gold Medal winners. You can find more information, as well as a complete list of plants and local sources, on the website, *www.goldmedalplants.com*, or you can contact Joe Ziccardi at *jziccard@pennhort.org* or (215) 988-8824.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS president*

GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARD COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Steve Hutton, *chair, The Conard-Pyle Company*

Richard Hesselein, *Pleasant Run Nursery*

Darrel Apps, *Woodside Nursery*

Richard L. Bitner, *Representing the home gardener*

Tom Dilatush, *Dilatush Nurseries, retired*

Sheila Gmeiner, *Imperial Nurseries*

Joseph Gray, *Hines Nursery*

William Heyser, *Heyser Landscaping, Inc., retired*

Richard Lighty, *Mt. Cuba Center, retired*

Paul Meyer, *Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania*

Philip Normandy, *Brookside Gardens*

Claire Sawyers, *Scott Arboretum*

Barry Yinger, *Asiatica Nursery*

Charles Zalfonte, *Morris County Park Commission*

Judith D. Zuk, *Brooklyn Botanical Garden*

2002 AZALEA GARDEN PARTY

Thursday, May 16

Join us on Thursday, May 16, from 5:30–8:00 pm, for the 2002 Azalea Garden Party. It will be an evening of great food and good fun, including a steel band, stilt walker, carriage rides, face painting and more. This annual event raises funds for year-round maintenance of the lovely four-acre Azalea Garden, located just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. For information, please contact Ellen Wheeler at (215) 988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: D-J AND HOWARD BROSIUS

For D-J and Howard Brosius, PHS runs in the family. D-J's parents were both active members of the Society for about 30 years, from the 1930s through the 1960s. As a child, she couldn't help but inherit their love of gardening. And having grown up on a farm, Howard also had gardening in his blood.

In their four-and-a-half-acre woodland garden near Wyndmoor, the couple concentrates on native plants, especially rhododendrons, ferns, and wildflowers. Except for mowing the grass, they do all of the work themselves, with Howard tackling most of the digging and D-J the planning and designing. Their garden provides a wonderful habitat for wildlife—including butterflies, owls and pheasants—earning them a Certificate of Achievement from the National Wildlife Federation. D-J and Howard often open their garden for PHS members' tours and other activities. This spring, they will host the first-ever "Bring-a-Friend" event, an evening reception for PHS members and their guests.

D-J and Howard are charter members of the 1827 Society. Howard was a member of PHS Council for several years and served on the Finance Committee, while D-J has served on the Membership Committee for over a decade. Through the Membership Committee, she's become involved in many aspects of PHS. At the Flower Show, she helps out at the Information and Membership booths and leads early morning tours. She has also won many blue ribbons at the Show, often for a Clivia plant that she has nurtured for 30 years.

Both D-J and Howard also serve on the Azalea Garden Party Committee, helping to organize the annual celebration at one of Philadelphia Green's loveliest downtown sites. "It's a great evening," she says of the party. "Our children and their friends always come, and I hope that will continue into the next generation of PHS supporters." *– Jane Carroll*

COME TO THE 2002 KIDS GROW EXPO

May 8–9

The Kids Grow Expo, PHS's horticultural exhibition for school-age children in the Greater Philadelphia Region, will take place May 8th and 9th at the Horticulture Center in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park. The Kids Grow Expo increases awareness of horticulture and the natural environment among children and encourages active participation of youth in growing, gardening, and environmental activities.

For parents, teachers and others who work with children, the Kids Grow Expo offers a great opportunity for creative learning outside of the classroom. The Expo includes educational exhibits, service-learning projects, and competitive classes (artistic and horticultural). Visitors can also enjoy interactive activity stations, demonstrations, and tours of the Tree-house and the grounds of the Horticulture Center.

This year's theme, *"Let's Celebrate,"* was inspired by PHS's 175th anniversary in 2002. Youngsters love to celebrate, so come celebrate with us through fun activities that highlight special accomplishments, events, or milestones in a child's life. For example, this year's artistic classes include themes that celebrate birthdays, getting a pet, winning a game, or learning to drive a car.

It's easy to get involved. Just call PHS for a Kids Grow Expo schedule that lists the horticultural and artistic categories your child or students can enter, depending on their age group. For service-learning projects, you can expand on something your class or group is already working on or create a new project for the show.

Kids Grow Expo is open to the public on Wednesday, May 8, 9:30 am–3:00 pm, and Thursday, May 9, 9:30 am–5:00 pm. Registration will be held on Monday, May 6, 11:00 am–6:00 pm. You can also pre-register by completing the form on the last page of the Kids Grow Expo booklet and returning it by April 26. For more information or to receive a booklet, please contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897 or fnarducc@pennhort.org

"CITY HALL IN BLOOM" CELEBRATES 11TH ANNIVERSARY

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, in cooperation with the Fairmount Park Commission, will host the 11th annual **City Hall in Bloom**, a volunteer planting day in the flowerbeds and courtyards at Philadelphia's ornate City Hall. Philadelphia Green has helped maintain the landscape at City Hall since 1992.

Each year PHS members, friends, school groups and staff gather to plant nearly 6,000 annuals to beautify this important downtown focal point. This year we will plant **elephant ears** and **fancy-leaf caladiums** in the shady beds, and **agastache, lantana, sweet potato vine** and **coleus** in the sun-filled Dilworth Plaza.

Please join us for a day of gardening fun. This year's event will be held on May 21, rain or shine, from 9 am until 12 noon. To volunteer, please contact Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865 or *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

– Gretchen Trefny

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

Does your Will include The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society?

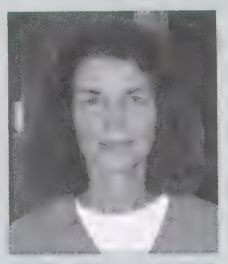
A bequest is a very simple way to provide a planned gift to PHS and often allows donors to make significant contributions that may not have been possible during their lifetimes. To provide for PHS in your will, the following wording is suggested:

> *I hereby give, devise, and bequeath to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, a nonprofit corporation organized and operating under the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, the sum of $____ to be used for the Society's general purposes.*

If you have included the Society in your estate plans, please let us know so that we can welcome you into the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society. For additional information about the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society, or ways in which you can make a gift to PHS, please contact the Development office at (215) 988-8819 or *sbetts@pennhort.org*

– Suzanne Betts, Development Manager

EILEEN GALLAGHER RECEIVES LONGWOOD AWARD



Eileen Gallagher

Philadelphia Green project manager Eileen Gallagher has received the Lois Woodward Paul Memorial Award from Longwood Gardens. It was presented to Eileen at the Professional Gardeners graduation ceremony on February 16.

The Longwood Professional Gardener Training Program Alumni Association established the award in 1985 in honor of Lois Paul, who headed the education department at Longwood Gardens for many years. The award honors graduates of the program who have established successful careers in horticulture, serve their communities, and promote horticultural education and experiences.

A 1986 graduate of Longwood, Eileen Gallagher has been a member of the Philadelphia Green staff since 1987. She currently manages the CityWide project, which supports over 700 community gardens in Philadelphia. Eileen was praised for her outstanding commitment to urban greening and for "working behind the scenes with dedicated community residents, helping them turn their dreams of a better world into living, growing gardens."

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

WORKSHOPS FOR CITY GARDENERS

This Spring, PHS will offer a three-part workshop series designed to meet the needs of city gardeners. The series will focus on creating a garden plan and dealing with urban conditions including limited space, limited sunlight, container gardening and security. The workshops will be held on two Tuesday evenings, April 30 and May 7, and the weekend of May 18.

For locations, times, and additional information, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org* or visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*

THE WIRED GARDENER — IT'S WHY YOU NEED EMAIL

Produced by McLean Library staff, ***The Wired Gardener*** is a FREE monthly email alert full of reviews of good gardening web sites, mini-reviews of new library books and videos, and news of local gardening happenings. Learn why 2,450 passionate gardeners subscribe to ***The Wired Gardener***. For sign-up instructions, contact Janet Evans, McLean Library manager, at *jevans@pennhort.org* or call (215) 988-8779.

BROWN-BAG LUNCHES

SPRING TREE CARE

Wednesday, April 10, 12:00–1:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

The final session in our brown-bag lunch series on seasonal tree care will address the all-important issue of choosing the right tree for your site, as well as dealing with tree pests and diseases. ISA certified arborist **Lou Giroud**, founder and president of Giroud's Tree Service, will answer your questions. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

WORKSHOPS

SPRING BULB CONTAINERS

Wednesday, April 3, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Why wait until summer to plant your garden containers? In this workshop each participant will plant a spring blooming container with his/her choice of plants that tolerate a light frost, including forced hardy bulbs, companion annuals, and tender perennials. **Nanci Walsh**, Retail Manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce you to a broad selection of colorful plants and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your container throughout the season. All materials, including containers and plants, are provided. Fee: $50 members, $60 non-members.

STRAWBERRY JARS

Thursday, April 18, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Strawberry jars offer unique opportunities for displaying plants, and they present special challenges. In this workshop each participant will plant a strawberry jar with his/her choice of plants that tolerate a light frost, including forced hardy bulbs, companion annuals, and tender perennials. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will help you choose plants and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your container throughout the season. All materials, including strawberry jars and plants, will be provided. Fee: $50 members, $60 non-members.

WALKS

NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Wednesday, April 24, 10:00 am–12:00 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Karl Rider** will introduce and discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives to use for difficult garden conditions. The program includes a tour of the gorgeous grounds at Meadowbrook, with a special focus on native plants. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

INTERNATIONAL LECTURE SERIES

ROSEMARY VEREY AND THE GARDENS AT BARNSLEY HOUSE

Tuesday, April 9, 6:00 pm
Note: This program takes place at St. Clement's Church on 20th Street, directly across Appletree Street from PHS headquarters. The lecture will be followed by a reception at PHS.

Please join us for this very special account of the life and accomplishments of renowned British gardener and author Rosemary Verey, told from the unique view of her son, **Charles Verey**. Charles will share family history and early diaries and anecdotes, which until now have only been available to the family. He will also trace the evolution of his mother's interest in and contributions to the art of gardening.

Charles Verey's early training in art has led him to paint portraits and teach art to children. Thirty years ago he became a carpenter and continues to design and create furniture today. He was born in 1940, when his mother was 21, and enjoyed a long, close relationship with her for 60 years. He has lived at Barnsley House with his wife and daughter since 1988 and took charge of the garden there in 1998. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 17, 5:30–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Prezemek Walczak, horticulturist at Chanticleer and certified ISA arborist, will discuss all aspects of pruning including why, how and when. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning, dos and don'ts, proper tools, their uses and how to care for them, and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members. Limit 24.

PERENNIALS FOR SHADE

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she explores perennials that grow in varying degrees of shade. Leading us through the Asian woodlands, the native streamside gardens, and the woodlands adjacent to the ruin at Chanticleer, Lisa will also point out plants suited for moist and dry situations. Soil preparation, plant selection, maintenance and dynamic plant combinations will be discussed. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

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GOLD MEDAL PLANTS FOR SPRING

Wednesday, May 15, 5:30–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Laurel Voran** will discuss the ornamental qualities and culture of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gold Medal Plants growing at Chanticleer. A garden walk and slide presentation will introduce you to these excellent plants, which are ideal for growing in the Delaware Valley. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members. Limit: 24.

EVENING GARDEN WALK

Wednesday, May 22, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer Executive Director **Chris Woods** will lead an early evening walk through this estate pleasure garden at the peak of its enchanting spring beauty. Register early! This is a popular program. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

GOOD GARDENING

Thursday, May 23, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

A dialogue and walk around the gorgeous grounds of Chanticleer with horticulturist **Joe Henderson**, looking at features and design, as well as plants that make gardens extraordinary. Come prepared to voice your comments! Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Sunday, May 5, Wilmington, Delaware area
Sunday, May 19, Society Hill, Philadelphia
Sunday, June 9, Princeton, New Jersey
Fee: $5 for members, $25 for non-members

The annual Spring Garden Visits are a wonderful benefit for PHS members. The Garden Visits allow access to a number of gardens on three Sundays each spring. Because the program is so popular, we limit the number of visitors for the day, and members are required to pre-register. We visit five to seven mostly private gardens from noon until 5 pm. Registrants will be provided with descriptions and directions to the gardens and are free to visit as many as they wish in whatever order they wish.

Please use the form below to register. Directions and a brochure will be sent after registration is received. For more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Spring Tree Care	4/10	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Spring Bulb Containers	4/3	Fee: $50/$60	_____	_____
☐ Strawberry Jars	4/18	Fee: $50/$60	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/24	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Rosemary Verey and the Gardens at Barnley House	4/9	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs	4/17	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Perennials for Shade	5/9	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Gold Medal Plants for Spring	5/15	Fee: $15/$24	_____	_____
☐ Evening Garden Walk	5/22	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Good Gardening	5/23	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Wilmington	5/5	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Society Hill	5/19	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Princeton	6/9	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____

TOTAL: $_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

TRAVEL WITH PHS

GARDENS OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA: PITTSBURGH AND ENVIRONS

May 28–31, 2002

There are still a few spots left on the first PHS trip to the Pittsburgh area. With help from the Horticultural Society of Western Pennsylvania, we've put together a delightful, four-day itinerary that includes outstanding private gardens and fascinating public exhibits. We'll visit the Phipps Conservatory, as well as the lesser-known Hunt Institute at Carnegie Mellon University, which maintains a collection of rare botanical books and prints.

We'll travel to Pittsburgh by private motor coach and will stay at two hotels—the Omni William Penn, located in the heart of the city, and the deluxe Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in the Laurel Highlands, southeast of Pittsburgh. We'll also visit Fallingwater, the famous Frank Lloyd Wright house, which was designed for the Edgar J. Kaufmann family of Pittsburgh. Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group.

For more information or to receive an itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*

GREENSOURCE LECTURES

Created by Philadelphia Green, the Greensource program promotes excellence in landscape design, construction and maintenance in the urban realm, recognizing the unique contribution that the natural environment makes to the quality of city life. Greensource also provides networking opportunities, including lectures, brown-bag lunches and other events for landscape architects, planners, and other professionals working to improve the urban environment. These events are open to the public.

The next lecture explores an ambitious project, funded by the United State Forest Service, to improve a one-acre plot of land surrounding Project H.O.M.E., a North Philadelphia homeless shelter and community-service organization. The design team was challenged to increase green space and tree canopy without compromising the urban character of the area, which encompasses two distinct neighborhoods with separate identities and concerns. This lecture is co-sponsored by the Community Design Collaborative.

From Spaces to Places: Neighborhood Action Plan for Project H.O.M.E.
Tuesday, April 9, 2002, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium, reception follows

Speakers include Patrice Carroll, USDA Forest Service; Anita Lager, Lager Raabe Skafte; Mark Keener, Brown & Keener; and Carolyn Placke, Project H.O.M.E. If you would like to attend this lecture or have your name added to the Greensource mailing list, please contact Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865 or *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

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RECOGNIZING GARDENERS FROM TOWN TO COUNTRY

Summer is almost here, and for gardeners throughout the Delaware Valley and beyond, that means another chance to earn an official stamp of approval from the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Here are three friendly ways for gardeners to strut their stuff.

PHS City Gardens Contest

PHS created the City Gardens Contest back in 1975 to acknowledge the efforts of city gardeners, who undertake a labor of love to turn urban plots into flowering green havens. Still going strong, the PHS City Gardens Contest, with the cooperation of Penn State's Urban Gardening program, attracts entries of all sizes and types, from tiny private spaces to enormous community gardens—tended by people from many backgrounds.

Judged each July by volunteers, the contest is open to Philadelphia residents. Judging is almost as much fun as entering. **To enter your garden or to volunteer as a judge, please complete and return the form on page 3 by June 10, 2002.**

PHS Suburban Greening Awards

Now in its third year, the PHS **Suburban Greening Awards** reach beyond the boundaries of Philadelphia to suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware to recognize the beauty and value of public-space plantings in the suburbs. Nominations are sought for public parks, main street planters, church gardens, train stations, municipal grounds and other public plantings outside the city limits. Not a competition, the Suburban Greening Awards single out sites and volunteer groups that deserve PHS recognition. Each group receives a framed certificate and a sign to display in their garden.

If you know of a public space planting in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, or Delaware that should be recognized by PHS, please contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-9987 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2002.

PHS Country Gardens Contest

Now celebrating its 10th year, the PHS **Country Gardens Contest** is held each summer in Bradford, Sullivan, Susquehanna, and Wyoming counties in North-Central Pennsylvania. There, instead of walking a few blocks from garden to garden, volunteer judges travel up to 250 miles over the four sparsely populated counties, visiting gardens that are often separated by miles of winding country roads.

Former PHS Council chairs Robert Ryan and Donald L. Felley established the contest to promote interest in horticulture in the area, and—just like in the city—to help build a community among gardeners. **Note: This contest is open only to residents of the four counties mentioned. To learn more, please contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-9987 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org***

Samatha Mickey's prize-winning window boxes in the 2001 City Gardens Contest

175 YEARS OF GREAT GARDENING

"A fine specimen of the *Amaryllis aulica* was exhibited from the garden of Mr. George Pepper. Also fruit of the banana from the garden of Mr. Henry Pratt. Mr. William Chalmers presented several specimens of Cardoon, one of them weighing twenty-seven pounds. 'The finest it is believed, as a lot, that has ever been seen in this country.'"

Meeting notes, November 1833. From *A History of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society: 1827–1927,* by James Boyd (20th president), published in 1929.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

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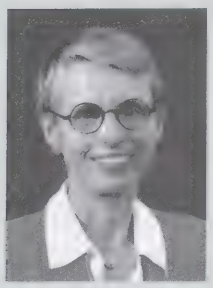

It always gives me pleasure to watch new PHS staff members as they experience their first Flower Show. We start early in the year with orientation sessions (mandatory for all staff even if they have been here "forever") on topics that range from Show ticket sales to the intricacies of judging the Competitive Classes. By the time they get to the Convention Center, it's a miracle they can remember their own names, never mind how to find the locations for the wine tastings, the Preview Dinner or the Culinary Demonstrations. Their reactions vary from "Oh my," to "Oh wow," but to a person, it only takes them a few hours to pick up the incredible spirit of camaraderie that resonates between exhibitors, volunteers and staff of both the Convention Center and PHS.

For me, too, this camaraderie is the annual miracle of the Philadelphia Flower Show. To all who participated—thank you so much for everything you did to make it a great Show. Special compliments to our Central Feature exhibitors. The orchid "gate" that greeted visitors entering the Show and the "museum" with amazing floral designs further into the hall were all done by members of the American Institute of Floral Designers. These gifted artists traveled from Europe and the UK, from Rochester, New York and from the West Coast. When they started working at the Convention Center it was clear that their talents and style were perfect for the exhibit envisioned by Show designer and director Ed Lindemann.

Equally wonderful was the Victorian house and gardens staged by J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery from Southampton, NJ. Given that Joe and I "grew up" together at the Flower Show, it gave me particular pleasure to know that this was his 20th year in the Show and to stand by the exhibit and hear the appreciative comments of our visitors.

Given world events over the past few months, we were happy to welcome some 265,000 visitors and to know that we raised significant revenues to support our horticultural outreach into the community through Philadelphia Green. As we go through the summer, watch the *PHS News* for information on some of these projects.

I also want to take this opportunity to welcome new members to PHS. Some 965 of you joined at the Show and shortly afterwards. Other staff members and I look forward to meeting you and we welcome your thoughts on our programs and membership benefits.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS President*

HELP FOR GARDENERS DURING THE DROUGHT

This year, with drought conditions continuing, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society encourages gardeners to use water wisely at all times and to obey local restrictions on water usage. Here are some easy ways to conserve water in the garden:

- Use mulch to preserve soil moisture.
- Use composted soil.
- Choose plants with low water requirements.
- Use shading to protect sensitive plants from the hot sun.
- In Pennsylvania, drought restrictions are as follows: Water only between 5pm and 9am. Irrigate with a hand-held container or a hose with an automatic shut-off nozzle. Sprinklers and soaker hoses are prohibited for home use.
- Use "gray water" on ornamental plants when possible ("Gray water" refers to all non-toilet wastewater created from household uses, such as phosphate-free dishwashing and laundry, dehumidification and bath water.)

For more information on gardening during the drought, visit the McLean Library, which has many books on water-wise gardening and xeriscaping (gardening in dry conditions). Water-saving tips are also available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.* The following organizations also provide important drought information for Delaware Valley residents.

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
(717) 783-4693
Drought Hotline: 1-888-457-6653
www.dep.state.pa.us/dep/subject/hotopics/drought/

New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
(609) 292-7219
www.state.nj.us/dep/watersupply/index.html

Delaware Department of Natural Resources and Environmental Control
(302) 739-4403
www.dnrec.state.de.us/dnrec2000/WaterResources.asp

Philadelphia Water Department
(215) 685-6300
www.phillywater.org

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: SALLY GRAHAM

Sally Graham first became involved with PHS when she decided to help out at the Philadelphia Harvest Show. She had signed up through her garden club, the Valley Garden Club. "That first year, I ended up doing whatever needed to be done," she recalls. "And I had such a good time I decided I wanted to keep working with all these nice people."

That was about 25 years ago. Since then, Sally has been a regular presence around PHS. She has become an integral part of the judging and awards team at the Flower Show, and for the past three years, she has pulled together the slide show for the awards luncheon. A member of PHS Council, Sally serves on the development committee and, for many years, has been part of the Azalea Garden Party Committee. Together with Sandy Manthorpe, she compiled the much-loved PHS cookbook, *Great Recipes from Great Gardeners,* published in 1993.

"Gardeners are the nicest people," says Sally.

In a new venture, Sally is chairing the new Spring Garden Visits Committee, formed in November of 2001. As chair, she's responsible for lining up the list of exciting private gardens that PHS members will visit this spring—in Wilmington, Princeton, and the Society Hill section of Philadelphia.

"Gardeners are the nicest people," says Sally. "If one gardener was unable to host a PHS visit, she usually gave me the name of someone else who could." The committee also gets directions and finds volunteers to welcome visitors at each of the gardens. "The Philadelphia gardens in Society Hill are all within walking distance of each other, which will be fun," Sally notes. (There is still time to sign up for this year's Garden Visits! See page 7.)

Asked what she enjoys most about PHS, Sally has a quick answer: "The people. I've made so many lasting friendships here," she says. "Year after year, you see the same faces again and again. I haven't seen that kind of loyalty at any other organization."

– Jane Carroll

NEW LANDSCAPE ALONG JOHN F. KENNEDY BOULEVARD

The past few seasons have brought a welcome change to John F. Kennedy Boulevard between 20th Street and the Schuylkill River. Large canopy trees, flowering understory trees, lush lawns, groundcover beds and hundreds of daffodils now grace this important thoroughfare in downtown Philadelphia.

As they grow to maturity, the maples, oaks, honey locusts and zelkovas that line the sidewalk will match the grandeur of the view from Center City to 30th Street Station. The trees grow in an expanse of lawn, accompanied by sweeps of groundcover beds planted with several species of understory trees—white fringetree, 'Winter King' hawthorn, Japanese tree lilac, and magnolia. What makes this landscape especially wonderful in springtime is the abundance of vivid daffodils on the slopes, which can be seen and enjoyed from both the roadway and the arriving SEPTA commuter trains.

This spring marks the final phase of capital improvements begun in 2000—in partnership with the Philadelphia Department of Streets—in preparation for the 2000 Republican National Convention. New lighting and waving banners of "Old Glory" were installed along with the new plants. In this final phase, the beds along the 2200 and 2300 blocks will be planted with liriope. By this fall, the ambitious vision for the site, developed by Philadelphia Green and landscape architects Lager•Raabe•Skafte in 1997, will be complete when the last few slopes are finished off with a planting of daffodil bulbs.

The Pew Charitable Trusts provided a crucial challenge grant that matched monies raised from corporate neighbors along the Boulevard and from individual donors, helping to secure the project's total budget of nearly $185,000. These corporate neighbors and other donors also contribute funds for annual maintenance, ensuring a lovely, well-cared-for landscape for many years to come.

– Julie A. Snell
Philadelphia Green Project Coordinator

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ATTENTION CITY GARDENERS! ENTER THE 2002 CITY GARDENS CONTEST

Be a Contestant:

If you garden in Philadelphia, you qualify to enter the City Gardens Contest. Amateur gardeners compete in a number of different categories from flower to vegetable to container gardens. **Just fill out the form below and mail to: City Gardens Contest, PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103 by June 10.** Good luck!

Be a Judge:

Spend a July day visiting gardens as large as a city block or as tiny as a backyard patio, and help choose the winners! Please contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

June 10 is the deadline to become a judge or to enter as a contestant. For more information, please contact Flossie Narducci, at (215) 988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

Win Great Prizes

Winners receive $50, $25, and $10 gift certificates. All winners receive a one-year membership to The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

City Gardens Contest Entry Form

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Address of garden: _____

Home phone: _____

Work phone: _____

Email: _____

Check appropriate category:

Individual Gardens

- ☐ Individual Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Flower Garden
- ☐ Combination Flower/Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Container Garden
- ☐ Child's Garden

Community Gardens

- ☐ Community Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Community Flower/Sitting Garden
- ☐ Combination Vegetable/Flower Garden
- ☐ Children's Garden
- ☐ "Garden Block" with window boxes and sidewalk planters
- ☐ "The Greenest Block in Town" (street trees/front yards)

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2002 PHILADELPHIA

Major Exhibitor Awards

The PNC Financial Services Award for Participation in the 2002 Central Feature:
J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery Inc.
American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD)
The Peace Garden

The PHS Flower Show Award for the Best in Show in the Following Categories:
Landscape: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.
Floral Design: Valley Forge Flowers/The Little House Shop
By Invitation: Meadowbrook Farm
Academic Educational: Temple University Dept. of Landscape Architecture & Horticulture
Nonacademic Educational: The F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company
Nonprofit Display: The Zoological Society of Philadelphia

The PHS Award of Merit for an Outstanding Exhibit in the Following Categories:
Academic Educational: Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades
Nonacademic Educational: U.S. EPA Region III
Nonprofit Display: Camden City Garden Club, Inc./Camden Children's Garden and African Violet Society of Philadelphia

The Philadelphia Flower Show Award For an Exhibit of Distinction in the Following Categories:
Academic Educational: Horticulture Academy at Abraham Lincoln High School
Nonacademic Educational: Friends Hospital
Nonprofit Display: American Ivy Society; American Rhododendron Society, Greater Philadelphia Chapter; Delaware Valley Fern & Wildflower Society; North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter; Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society

Feature Awards

The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. Silver Trophy:
Stoney Bank Nurseries, "Romance in the Ruins"

The Alfred M. Campbell Memorial Trophy:
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc., "CD Garden"

The Mayor's Trophy: Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists, "The Pleasures of Spring"

The Governor's Trophy: Lamsback Floral Decorators, "Singin' in the Rain"

The Philadelphia Trophy:
Robertson's, "Here Comes the Bride..."

The PHS Council Trophy: Designs in Bloom, "On Sacred Ground—A Celtic Celebration"

PHS Garden, Entryway, Container Display and Collection Class Awards

PHS Trophy (Garden Classes 151 & 151A):
The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia, "Woodworker's Woods"

PHS Trophy (Entryway Classes 152 & 152A):
The Weeders, "Weaver's Oasis"

PHS Trophy (Container Display Classes 155 & 155A): The Gardeners, "Restoration by the Sea"

PHS Awards for Daily Maintenance:
Gardens: University of Delaware Merrie Stems
Entryways: Lower Merion High School
Container Display: The Siblings
Balconies: Garden Club of Trenton
Urns (Class 170): Joan Yulduzian and Tala Graham
Urns (Class 171): The Planters

Special Panel Awards

Chicago Horticultural Society Flower Show Medal:
Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc., "A Garden Fantasy"

Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association Trophies:
Gardens: The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia, "Woodworker's Woods"
Entryways: The Weeders, "Weavers' Oasis"

Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal:
The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia, "Woodworker's Woods"

The American Horticultural Society Citation:
Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades, "Winter Woodland"

Bulkley Medal of The Garden Club of America:
Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades, "Winter Woodland"

Special Achievement Awards of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania:
Conservation: (1,000 sq ft & over):
The F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company
(under 1,000 sq ft): Temple University Department of Landscape Architecture & Horticulture
Horticulture (1,000 sq ft & over): Stoney Bank Nurseries
(under 1,000 sq ft): Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society
Education (1,000 sq ft & over): The Zoological Society of Philadelphia
(under 1,000 sq ft): African Violet Society of Philadelphia

Men's Garden Club of Delaware Valley Award:
Flagg's Garden Center

Society of American Florists Flower Show Award:
Lamsback Floral Decorators

The Phyllis M. Craig Award:
Valley Forge Flowers/The Little House Shop

Marketplace Awards

Horticulture (Large Booth)
1st: Fortune Flora
2nd: The Flower Hut
3rd: Always Better Grown
Hon. mention: Wedgwood Gardens

Horticulture (Standard Booth)
1st: Pressed Flower Gallery
2nd: Sea Dragon Herbery
3rd: Bonsai Designs
Hon. mention: Eastwoods Nurseries

Botanical Art (Large Booth)
1st: Wildflowers by Cricket
2nd: Lyons Ltd. Antique Prints
3rd: Gladstone Jones
Hon. mention: Mary Booth Cabot Art Studio

Botanical Art (Standard Booth)
1st: Wildflower Pressings
2nd: Robert Miller, Artist
3rd: Sandra Webberking Originals
Hon. mention: Vermont Botanical

Accessories (Large Booth)
1st: Walpole Woodworkers
2nd: Sandstone Gardens
3rd: Rising Sun Gardens
Hon. mention: E. P. Henry

Accessories (Standard Booth)
1st: Copa Soaps
2nd: Tuohy & Meade
3rd: Garden Accents
Hon. mention: Painted Lady

Horticulture Awards

PHS Ribbon—Best of Day (1 variety):
Saturday 3/2—Sylvia R. Lin *(Euphorbia esculenta)*
Tuesday 3/5— Juliet Haroutunian *(Genista canariensis)*
Friday 3/8— J. Liddon Pennock *(Citrus* x **paradisi** 'Variegata')

PHS Ribbon—Best of Day (2 varieties):
Saturday 3/2—Dr. Gerald Barad and Beatrice Barad (collection)
Tuesday 3/5—Rob Novelli *(Gymnocalycium denudatum* and *Melocactus matanzanus)*
Friday 3/8— Susan Brown *(Hedera helix* 'Ivalace' and *Hedera helix* 'Eva')

PHS Orchid Award: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton *(Cymbidium* Fort George 'Lewes')

The Emile H. Geschick Memorial Award:
Waldor Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Trophy:
Waldor Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Awards:
Aneka Bell *(Oncidium* x sp.)

The Herb Society of America, Inc. Awards (Philadelphia Unit):
Class 241: Diana S. Wister *(Pelargonium* 'Prince Rupert')
Class 278: Bill Fuchs *(Rosmarinus officinalis* 'Logee's Blue')
Class 290: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Prostanthera aspalathoides)*
Class 340: Cecily W. Clark *(Myrtus communis* subsp. *tarentina)*
Class 341: Diana Wister *(Laurus nobilis)*
Class 391: Judy M. Boyer *(Helichrysum thianschanicum)*
Class 439: Cecily W. Clark *(Hedera helix* 'Chicago')
Class 473: Aldys C. Davis *(Pimento officinalis)*
Class 495: J. Liddon Pennock *(Citrus* x *paradisi* 'Variegata')

FLOWER SHOW MAJOR AWARD WINNERS

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Doretta Klaber Award: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Clematis* x *cartmanii* 'Joe')

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Ribbons:
Class 242: Lee Morris Raden *(Primula* Cowichan Purple)
Class 244: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Clematis* x *cartmanii* 'Joe')
Class 245: John Ray and Clifton West (Miniature rock garden)
Class 279: Jane Grushaw *(Saxifraga x. zimmeteri)*
Class 280: Bernard Pettit *(Juniperus communis* 'Compressa')
Class 342: Lee Morris Raden *(Primula* Cowichan Red)
Class 344: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Clematis* x *cartmanii* 'Joe')
Class 345: Merideth Story (Miniature rock garden)
Class 389: Jane Grushow *(Chamaecyparis pisifera)*
Class 393: Jane Grushow *(Saxifraga callosa* var. *australis)*
Class 394: Carol Lim *(Cyclamen coum)*
Class 442: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Primula vialii)*
Class 444: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Daphne jasminea)*
Class 445: Merideth Story (Miniature rock garden)
Class 486: Beth Dribin *(Lewisia cotyledon,* Sunset Group)

Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Ribbons (Narcissus Classes):
Class 206: Lee Morris Raden *(Narcissus bulbocodium tenuifolius)*
Class 306: Lee Morris Raden *(Narcissus jonquilla* minor)
Class 408: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton (Narcissus 'Jetfire')

PHS Ribbons (Bulbs other than Narcissus):
Class 222: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton *(Lilium* 'Pink Paramount')
Class 318: Ray Rogers (Hippeastrum cv.)
Class 442: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton *(Lilium* 'Pink Paramount')

American Primrose Society Award, Doretta Klaber Chapter Ribbons:
Class 242: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Primula vialii)*
Class 342: Lee Morris Raden *(Primula* Cowichan Red)
Class 442: Margaret P. Bowditch *(Primula vialii)*

Far Out Cactus Award: Dr. Gerald Barad *(Agave potatorum* variegated)

Meadowbrook Farm Indoor Gardening Trophy: Dr. Gerald Barad and Beatrice Barad (Collection)

The Edith Wilder Scott Award: Merideth Story (Miniature rock garden)

Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society Ribbons:
Class 151: Duke Gardens
Class 160: Dr. Gerald Barad & Beatrice Barad (Collection: Fabulous Fat Plants)
Class 176: Margo Sullivan & Kate Fitzgerald
Class 272: Janet Welsh *(Euphorbia horrida* 'Snowflake')
Class 276: Sylvia Lin *(Pseudolithos migurtinus)*
Class 276: Stephen Maciejewski *(Aonium arboreum* 'Atropurpureum' crest)
Class 332: John Story *(Euphorbia platyclada)*
Class 363: Stephen Maciejewski *(Astrophytum asterias* hybrid)
Class 376: Sylvia R. Lin *(Mammillaria* 'Fred')
Class 379: John Story *(Ficus palmeri)*
Class 469: Dr. Gerald Barad *(Rebutia arenacea)*
Class 475: Dr. Gerald Barad *(Begonia partita)*
Class 491: Dr. Gerald Barad *(Astrophytum asterias* 'Super Kabuto')
Class 494: Dr. Gerald Barad *(Aloe descoingsii)*

Susie Walker Awards for an Outstanding Begonia:
Saturday: Sylvia R. Lin *(Begonia bogneri)*
Tuesday: Syliva R. Lin *(Begonia attenuata)*
Friday: Dr. Gerald Barad *(Begonia partita)*

Artistic Classes Awards

The Garden Club of America Certificate of Excellence: Gabrielle Haab and Jennifer Morrison

Blue and Gold Ribbons of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Niche Classes):
Class 102: Laura Tietjens Philip
Class 104: Kristine Qualls and Estelle Sherman
Class 109: Margo Bennett
Class 115: Lydia Lewis and Geraldine Williams

Blue and Gold Ribbons of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Miniature Arrangements):
Class 119: Leslie Purple and Wendy Concannon
Class 123: Leslie Purple

Blue and Gold Ribbons of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Defined and Open Spaces):
Class 125: Carol Critchlow and Martha Van Allen
Class 131: Gretchen Riley and Sue Hansen
Class 132: Anne Fox Hayes and Anne Coste

PHS Trophy (Miniature Arrangements): Leslie Purple

PHS Trophy (Pressed Plants): Woan-Ting Tseng

PHS Room Trophy: Roots & Shoots

Jack Kellmer Company Award (Table Classes): Four Counties Garden Club

PHS Award for Daily Maintenance (Rooms): Erin Lawes and Alissa Kegelman

PHS Award for Daily Maintenance (Tables): Norristown Garden Club

Extra Touch Florists Association District 3-B Trophy (Rooms and Tables Classes): Four Counties Garden Club

The Margaret Biddle Bright Award to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit in the Large Niche Classes: Sally Humphreys and Betty Webb

Nancy Reid Clausen Award to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit in the Medium Niche Classes: Margo Bennett

Pete Prown

Carolyn Waite Award to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit in the Small Niche Classes: Laura Tietjens Philip

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue-ribbon winner in the Defined and Open Space Classes: Carol Critchlow and Martha Van Allen

The Helen Hope Dechert Award to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit in the Niche Classes: Laura Tietjens Philip

PHS TROPHY to the outstanding blue-ribbon exhibit in the Designs for Jewelry Classes: Fran Sullivan House

Sweepstakes

PHS Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (runner-up): Sylvia Lin (1,089 points)

Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland Horticultural Sweepswakes Trophy for the individual with the greatest number of points in the Horticulture classes: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton (1,954 points)

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy for the horticultural organization with the great number of points in the Horticulture Classes: Wissahickon Garden Club (2,378 points)

Sarah C. Z. Groome Award: Laura Tietjens Philip (87.5 artistic points)

Rosemary P. Vassalluzzo Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy for the horticultural organization with the greatest number of points in the Artistic Section: Wissahickon Garden Club (222.5 points)

Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award for the garden club with the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: Wissahickon Garden Club (2,600.5 points)

PHS Grand Sweepstakes Trophy to the individual with the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: Alice Farley (205 points)

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

The Annual Fund

Within the next several weeks you will receive a letter asking you to support the PHS Annual Fund. I hope you will consider making a gift this year. While membership fees and Flower Show revenues provide important sources of funding for the Society and its programs, they cannot do the job alone. Annual Fund gifts enable PHS to carry out its mission *to motivate people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.* As a member of PHS, you've demonstrated your interest in horticulture and gardening; an additional gift beyond your membership dues will help ensure that our programs remain vibrant and strong and continue to have a positive impact on our city and region. Your contribution, no matter the size, will be greatly appreciated. *– Suzanne Betts, Development Director*

NEW BOOK ON URBAN VACANT LAND

PHS executive vice president J. Blaine Bonham, Jr. is co-author of a new book, along with Gerri Spilka of the OMG Center for Collaborative Learning and Darl Rastorfer, to be published by the American Planning Assocation. *Old Cities/Green Cities* explores the enormity of the urban vacant land problem plaguing older industrial cities, with a special focus on Philadelphia. The book also takes a close look at PHS's Philadelphia Green and outlines a comprehensive "Green City Strategy" for the city.

This publication will be available in May through the American Planning Association's on-line bookstore at *www.planning.org*. Or you can call the Planning Association at (312) 431-9100.

WOODY PLANTS CONFERENCE

Friday, July 19, 2002
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College

Register early for this year's Woody Plants Conference. Speakers include **Richard Hawke,** manager of plant evaluation programs at the Chicago Botanic Garden; **Jeff Iles,** associate professor and chair of the horticulture department at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa; **Dennis C. McGlade,** a partner with the landscape architecture firm Olin Partnership; Irish author and tree expert **Thomas Pakenham;** and **Kim E. Tripp,** vice president for horticulture at the New York Botanic Garden.

The conference is co-sponsored by PHS, Longwood Gardens, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

To register, please call the Continuing Education office at Longwood Gardens, (610) 388-1000 ext. 507.

WORKSHOPS

WATER GARDEN CONTAINERS

Tuesday, June 4, 10:00 am–12:00 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Focussing on the *Sarracenia* species, **Karl Rider** of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss and share his experience growing pitcher plants in containers. In this hands-on workshop, you will create fully hardy novelty combo pots, suitable for small gardens or patios. The fee includes a 14" container, planting medium and three plants. Decorative containers and additional plants will also be available for purchase. Fee: $40 for members, $45 for non-members. Limited space.

HERB CONTAINERS

Thursday, June 6, 10:00 am–12:00 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

You don't need a big garden to successfully grow and harvest herbs. In this workshop led by **Nanci Walsh,** retail manager of Meadowbrook Farm, you'll learn tips on growing herbs in containers. Nanci will also provide an overview of the history and uses of herbs, including fragrance, cooking and decorative purposes. Each participant will plant a patio pot or window box with a variety of herbs. All materials will be provided. Fee: $40 for members, $45 for non-members. Limited space.

ESPALIER IN THE GARDEN

Tuesday, June 11, 10:00 am–12:00 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Using the private gardens of J. Liddon Pennock, Jr. as an outdoor classroom, horticulturist **Ted Zoltowski** will discuss and demonstrate the pruning methods and cultural techniques used to create and care for the fascinating espaliered plants growing there. Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

PERENNIALS FOR SHADE

Thursday, May 9, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she explores perennials that grow in shade. Leading us through the Asian woodlands, the native streamside gardens, and the woodlands adjacent to the ruin at Chanticleer, Lisa will also point out plants suited for moist and dry situations. Soil preparation, plant selection, maintenance and dynamic plant combinations will be discussed. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS FOR SPRING

Wednesday, May 15, 5:30–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Laurel Voran** will discuss the ornamental qualities and culture of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gold Medal Plants growing at Chanticleer. A garden walk and slide presentation will introduce you to these excellent plants, which are ideal for growing in the Delaware Valley. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members. Limit: 24.

EVENING GARDEN WALK

Wednesday, May 22, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer executive director **Chris Woods** will lead an early evening walk through this estate pleasure garden at the peak of its enchanting spring beauty. Register early! This is a popular program. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

GOOD GARDENING

Thursday, May 23, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

A dialogue and walk around the gorgeous grounds of Chanticleer with horticulturist **Joe Henderson,** looking at features and design, as well as plants that make gardens extraordinary. Come prepared to voice your comments! Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

THE MIXED BORDER

Thursday, June 6, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

In the garden border, a mixture of annuals, perennials, bulbs, shrubs and vines creates a rich tapestry. Join horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she discusses the mixed border using the gardens at Chanticleer as a backdrop. Lisa will highlight exciting color combinations, offer tips on planning for four-season interest, and discuss inter-planting techniques in a variety of cultural conditions. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

FERNS FOR EVERYWHERE

Thursday, June 20, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Ferns are not just for the woods! Chanticleer horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will make a short slide presentation highlighting a wide variety of ferns in seasonal forms, and will then lead a tour of various garden areas at Chanticleer where ferns thrive in sun, shade, dry and moist conditions and a broad range of soil types. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

HEDGES AND SCREENS

Wednesday, June 26, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Good fences make good neighbors, or so the saying goes. But a well-designed grouping of interesting plants can provide a more creative and friendlier way to hide an

undesirable view. On a walk with Chanticleer horticulturist **Peter Brindle,** you'll see a variety of plants used to define spaces and lend structure to the garden. Peter will discuss the characteristics of the plants used as hedges and screens and offer tips on selecting the best plants for use in your own landscape. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

LINE, TEXTURE AND COLOR

Thursday, July 11, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

What makes a beautiful collection of plants? Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** as we stroll through the gardens looking critically at what Chanticleer does best: growing and displaying new and innovative plants and plant combinations. We will look at plants that have interesting lines, texture and color—both hardy and tender—that are suitable for Delaware Valley gardens. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Sunday, May 5, Wilmington, Delaware area
Sunday, May 19, Society Hill, Philadelphia
Sunday, June 9, Princeton, New Jersey

The annual Spring Garden Visits are a wonderful benefit for PHS members. The Garden Visits allow access to a number of gardens on three Sundays each spring. Because the program is so popular, we limit the number of visitors for the day, and members must pre-register to ensure a space. We visit five to seven mostly private gardens from noon until 5 pm. Registrants will be provided with descriptions and directions to the gardens and are free to visit as many as they wish in whatever order they wish.

Please use the form below to register. Directions and a brochure will be sent after registration is received. For more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
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Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Water Garden Containers	6/4	Fee: $40/$45	_____	_____
☐ Herb Containers	6/6	Fee: $40/$45	_____	_____
☐ Espalier in the Garden	6/11	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Perennials for Shade	5/9	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Gold Medal Plants for Spring	5/15	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Evening Garden Walk	5/22	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Good Gardening	5/23	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ The Mixed Border	6/6	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Ferns for Everywhere	6/20	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Hedges and Screens	6/26	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Line, Texture and Color	7/11	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Wilmington	5/5	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
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☐ Garden Visits: Princeton	6/9	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
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Rock-and-Roll Harvest!

Saturday & Sunday, September 14–15
Horticulture Center, Fairmount Park

Help make the 2002 Philadelphia Harvest Show another bountiful event. If you'd like to help out behind the scenes and will be available Wednesday through Sunday, September 11–15, please fill out this form and mail to: PHS 100 North 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495, attn: Betty Greene or send an email to *bgreene@pennhort.org*

Harvest Show Shoppe

Sign up now to assist in setup or sales at the PHS Harvest Show Shoppe. Volunteers are needed for Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 13, 14, and 15. Please call Bernice Murphy, chair of Shoppe volunteers, at (610) 446-5988 for information and scheduling.

Sign me up to help at the Harvest Show!

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HARVEST SHOW CHALLENGE CLASSES

Exhibitors in the Harvest Show Challenge Classes must grow their entries from seed. You may buy your own seeds or obtain them from PHS. All varieties must be grown in a container; only one plant per container is permitted. Entries will be judged on quality, size, and condition of plants and on the overall appearance of the container.

Class 220 'Lee' okra
Class 221 'Yellow Canary' tomato
Class 222 *Malope trifida* 'Pink Queen' (mallow)

Limited quantities of seeds are available from PHS through June 30. Order early so that your seeds can be planted in time for optimum growth. Please send your request for seeds to:

Harvest Show Challenge Seeds
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VOLUNTEERS JOIN PHS TO IMPROVE & CELEBRATE THEIR NEIGHBORHOODS

When spring comes to Philadelphia, people throughout the city roll up their sleeves to beautify their neighborhoods and strengthen their communities through horticulture. During the month of May alone, a remarkable number of volunteers in all parts of the city participated in community projects organized by PHS's **Philadelphia Green.**

On May 4, Philadelphia Green and the city's Department of Recreation hosted **Spring into Your Park,** which brought about 1,000 volunteers to 41 neighborhood parks, where they cleaned, planted, weeded, and just celebrated the hard work that keeps their parks looking vibrant and green throughout the year.

On May 4 and 11 in North Philadelphia, Philadelphia Green held the annual **Growing Greener Communities** event in partnership with Frankford Group Ministry and the Asociación de Puertorriqueños en Marcha (APM). During the morning hours, residents participated in garden cleanups, street cleanings, plantings, and tree-care workshops. Volunteers from Old First Reform Church and New Desires Inc. also lent a hand. The two-year-old Frankford Garden Club held its first neighborhood plant sale, which was a big success. After the work was done, residents celebrated with a barbecue, music, children's activities and lots of laughter.

As part of the Growing Greener event, a moving dedication ceremony was held on May 11 for the **Garden of Hope** at Hogar de Esperanza, a housing development for special-needs residents built by APM. The garden was created through a partnership among Hogar's residents, Philadelphia Green, and the Philadelphia Department of Recreation's Mural Arts program. This intimate sitting garden includes a three-dimensional mural that incorporates poetry by Hogar residents.

John Gannon

Dedication ceremony for the Garden of Hope.

On May 4 in the **American Street Empowerment Zone,** volunteers planted daylilies, shrubs, and colorful annuals on vacant industrial lots that have recently been "cleaned and greened" by Philadelphia Green. A large-scale planting effort scheduled for May 11 was thwarted by rain, but undaunted volunteers, including children, continued to beautify the lots during the following week.

About 15 members of the **Scattered Seeds Garden Club of Bryn Mawr** came to North Philadelphia on May 14 to lend a helping hand at Sun Circle, a Keystone Garden located at 17th and Westmoreland Streets. Garden club president Kathleen Cushmore and Jackie Fogel coordinated the effort and brought plants, trellises, funding to replace two dead trees, and lots of enthusiasm.

On May 17, PHS members and volunteers came together for the annual celebration at the **Azalea Garden.** This lovely garden—maintained by volunteers and managed

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175 YEARS OF GREAT GARDENING

Caleb Cope, who served as president of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society from 1842 to 1851, earned a gold medal from the Society in 1851 for successfully cultivating the *Victoria regia,* also known as the Royal water lily, native to South America. "It was at Springbrook, Cope's country seat overlooking the Delaware River, that the great water lily was first cultivated in the United States and flowered August 21st, 1851."*

**From Seed to Flower: Philadelphia 1681–1876,* The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 1976.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

The Power of Partnership

Without its partners, PHS would be a shadow of its current self. As I run through just a partial list of our partners, I realize how important each one is throughout the year. In the winter, I think of the extraordinary Flower Show exhibitors and volunteers. In summer, we join with the Philadelphia Department of Recreation and the Fairmount Park Commission in creating new public green spaces and maintaining treasured landscapes in our city. Examples include the plantings at the Philadelphia Museum of Art and at the Azalea Garden, as well as in some 40 community parks. We also partner with many community-based organizations and the Penn State Urban Gardening program to help Philadelphia residents beautify their neighborhoods.

In spring, I reflect on the wealth of opportunities PHS members have through our partnerships with two outstanding horticultural sites, Meadowbrook Farm and Chanticleer. Meadowbrook, as many members know, is the home and garden of J. Liddon Pennock, Jr., a star in the Philadelphia horticultural community for more than half a century. Liddon's father- and mother-in-law built the house at Meadowbrook for Liddon and his wife, Alice, as a wedding present in the 1930s, and the garden has been a passion for Liddon ever since. Last month's *News* listed a wonderful array of workshops led by Meadowbrook staff on topics that ranged from espalier to growing herbs in containers.

Also this spring and summer, there is a series of walks at Chanticleer, where participants can learn about various gardening techniques or just enjoy an evening stroll with Chris Woods, Chanticleer's executive director. (See pages 4–5.) In spring, summer or fall, a visit to Chanticleer in Wayne, PA, is the most delightful of experiences, and the estate appeals to everyone who enjoys a garden—from the most sophisticated horticulturist who finds unsual plants, to the first-year gardener in search of a few ideas. Check their website for hours and directions *(www.chanticleergarden.org)*, or call (610) 687-4163.

And finally, thank you to a host of partners with whom we organize conferences on woody plants in July and on perennials in October. Chief among our collaborators is the staff of the Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College, where these conferences are held. The campus is always beautiful, and from a horticultural perspective, it offers many examples of excellent woody plants and perennials.

To all our partners—many, many thanks. We appreciate all you do for us at PHS.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, *PHS President*

VOLUNTEERS

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by Philadelphia Green—is located just behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art on Kelly Drive.

The **11th Annual City Hall in Bloom** on May 21 drew many eager volunteers to plant over 2,000 colorful annuals in the flowerbeds and courtyards at City Hall. Children from Greenfield and Patterson elementary schools, along with volunteers from the American Red Cross, the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, and Fairmount Park staff spruced up this city landmark with caladiums, elephant ears, impatiens, sweet potato vine, lantana, and coleus.

John Gannon

Young volunteers at City Hall in Bloom.

And in the Logan Square area, the Greening Committee of the Logan Square Neighborhood Association held a busy work day on May 4 at the **Gas Station Garden** at 20th & Arch Streets, just across the street from PHS headquarters. The garden is vibrant with sweeps of salvia, mallow, coreopsis, rudbeckia, pansies, Russian sage, and other flowering plants and grasses. The group also takes care of four London plane trees, planted two years ago along the sidewalk near the garden, and maintains the "Triangle Garden" at 23rd and Winter Streets.

Greening efforts like these continue throughout the year—involving thousands of volunteers—and are all part of PHS's efforts to help make Philadelphia a greener and more welcoming place to live, work, and visit.

– Jane Carroll and Debbie Hall

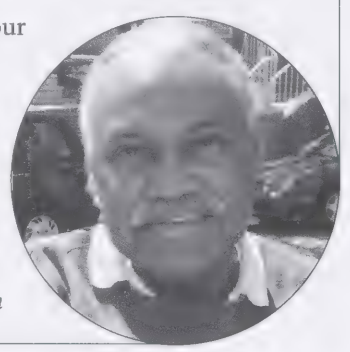
IN THE SPOTLIGHT: JOHN STEPTOE

Take a visit to the 6200 block of Ellsworth Street some time—you're in for a treat. Here you'll discover an active group of neighbors in this West Philadelphia community who are devoted to caring for street trees and enhancing their homes with colorful windowboxes and planters. The man behind this "green oasis" is John Steptoe, who has been involved with the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and, specifically, Philadelphia Green, "for about 20 years," at his best guess. In 1980, he helped bring new street trees to his block, and he's been hooked on greening ever since.

John, who is retired from SEPTA, keeps busy as a part-time school bus driver when he's not marshalling support for Philadelphia Green. "Basically, what I do is broadcast the news about what Philadelphia Green can do for the community," he reflects. "Word-of-mouth has been a wonderful way of getting the message out."

Not only is John a presence on his block, but he also has served on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board for eight years and on PHS Council for the past four. His enthusiasm for greening extends to the City Gardens Contest, where he's been a judge as well as a promoter of the event to his neighborhood. At the Philadelphia Green brunch at this year's Flower Show, he was honored for his work as a Tree Tender.

John claims that he's more of a tree-lover than a gardener, but it seems his green thumb is getting itchy. He's been working recently with some concerned neighbors to reclaim a trashed, vacant lot a few blocks from his home. "We're looking to make this lot into our neighborhood garden," he says.



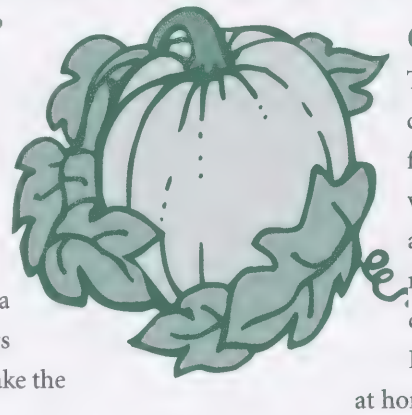
And while John now buses children to school, once a year he buses plants from Philadelphia Green's Plant Sale to his block, where neighbors come by to pick up their wares from his makeshift "garden center." Echoing his main mission with greening, he adds, "It's all about spreading the word."

– John Gannon

GET READY FOR THE 2002 PHILADELPHIA HARVEST SHOW

"Rock 'n' Roll Harvest"
September 14 & 15

10 am–5 pm
Horticulture Center,
Fairmount Park



This year's Harvest Show promises a rockin' good time for gardeners young and old. Here are some tips to make the most of the Show.

Harvest Show Tickets

Harvest Show invitations and ticket(s) will be mailed to PHS members during the first week of August. If you have not received this mailing by August 20, please call the membership office at (215) 988-8776 or 8832.

Opening Celebration

Please join us for the Opening Celebration on Friday, September 13, 4–7pm, at the Horticulture Center. Members' tickets can be used for the Opening Celebration or anytime during public hours on Saturday and Sunday. If you would like to bring a guest to the Opening, tickets will be available at the door for $6 each.

Members' Annual Plant Dividend

Friday, September 13, 4:00–7:00pm
Saturday, September 14, 10:00am–5:00pm

The annual Members' Plant Dividend takes place during the Harvest Show. Dividend plants are grown and donated by PHS members and professional growers. Those who have donated plants, as well as upper-category members, may come on Friday, September 13, between 1 and 4 pm, during Friday's Opening Celebration (4–7 pm) or Saturday during Show hours. *Please note: the Plant Dividend will not be open on Sunday.* Please bring your membership card for quick registration. If you would like to donate plants for the plant dividend, contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

Children's Activities

The Harvest Show offers lots of fun for children, from competitive classes to face painting to the ever-popular veggie races. Make your veggie car ahead of time so you can join the fun right away. Get some wheels, carve a chassis in your eggplant, and let it roll. If you can't make your veggie hot-rod at home, we will have everything right there for you to make one at the Show. Parental supervision is recommended. Instructions are included in the Harvest Show booklet. For more information, please contact Leslie Ferebee at (215) 988-8815 or *lferebee@pennhort.org*

PHS Harvest Show Shoppe

Your PHS membership card—don't leave home without it. Not only will you need to present it at the plant dividend, but this year, the PHS Harvest Show Shoppe will offer a 20% discount on regular-price items, including denim shirts, caps, and mugs. It's a rock 'n' roll special for members only.

Volunteer Opportunities

If you'd like to help out behind the scenes this year and will be available Wednesday through Sunday, September 11–15, here are some fun ways to get involved:

Opening Celebration

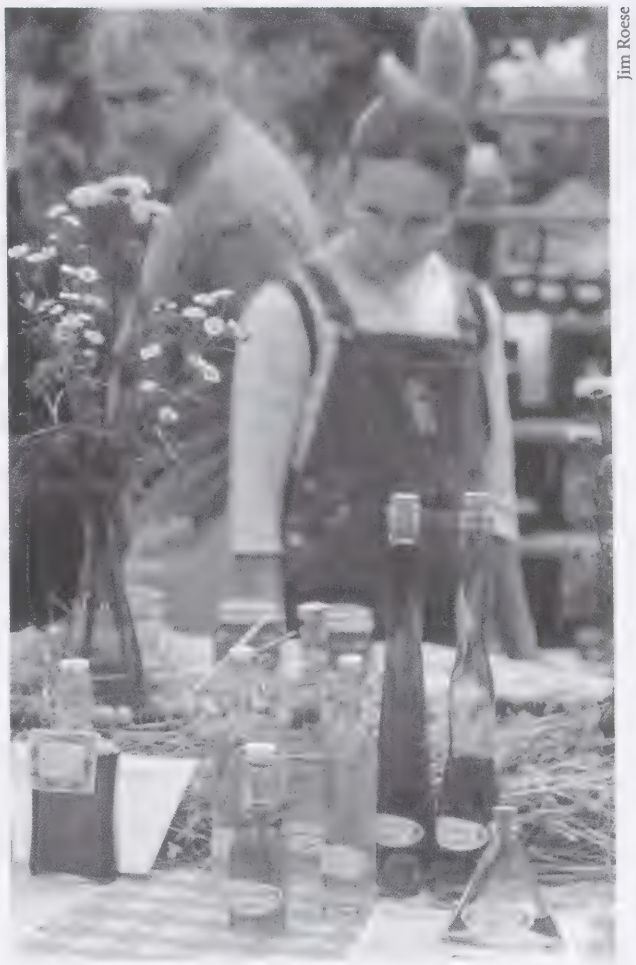
Member volunteers will serve wine, cider, and snacks at the Opening Celebration. If you would like to give a hand, please contact Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778 *(bgullan@pennhort.org)* or Lisa Wiley at (215) 988-8832 *(lwiley@pennhort.org)*. Duties are light, leaving ample time to see the Show.

Harvest Show Shoppe

Sign up to assist in setup or sales at the PHS Shoppe. Volunteers are needed for Thursday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, September 12, 13, 14, and 15. Please contact Rosemary McGeary at (215) 988-1609 or *rmcgeary@pennhort.org*

Harvest Show Clerks

This important and fun behind-the-scenes job includes handling paperwork for the competitive classes. It's a great opportunity to meet other PHS members, experienced judges and friendly volunteers, and it takes only a few hours. For clerks and other volunteer activities, please fill out the form on this page and mail to: PHS, 100 North 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, Attn: Betty Greene. Or send an email to *bgreene@pennhort.org*



Jim Roese

Harvest Show visitors peruse the "preserved products."

A young visitor shows off her handiwork.

Sign me up to help at the Harvest Show!

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SAVE THE DATE

European Floral Design
Wednesday, November 13, 2002
Independence Seaport Museum
Time to be announced

René van Rems

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is sponsoring a floral demonstration and lecture by world-renowned flower arranger René van Rems on Wednesday, November 13, 2002, at the Independence Seaport Museum in Philadelphia, PA.

This program will feature the latest trends in European floral design, covering a broad range of styles from traditional to innovative. Van Rems will demonstrate techniques and methods for working with unusual and everyday flowers and containers.

René van Rems, a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers and Professional Floral Commentators International, is a recognized ambassador of the floral industry. His work has been featured at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games, in art museums, in many national publications, and on television. He lectures and conducts workshops worldwide and is working on a definitive guide to the use of flowers in his book, *European Flower Styling.* A native of Holland, van Rems lives in and runs his business in San Diego, California.

Please send me an invitation to European Floral Design:

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Or contact Deb Fife at (215) 988-1622 or *dfife@pennhort.org*

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BROWN-BAG LUNCH/DINNER

HELPING YOUR TREES SURVIVE THE DROUGHT

Wednesday, July 17, 12:00–1:00 pm, PHS Auditorium
Repeated at 6:00 pm, PHS Council Room

How do we tell when trees and shrubs are suffering from lack of moisture? What are the symptoms and what methods can be used to control a situation that surely impacts plant health? Too often our response does not occur until we see advanced signs and symptoms. Join **Hal Rosner** and fellow arborists from the Bartlett Tree Expert Company for an in-depth presentation on helping woody plants survive the Drought of '02. Bring a lunch or dinner; PHS will supply coffee and tea. *Please note: this program will be presented at noon and again at 6:00 pm.* Fee: $5.

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

LINE, TEXTURE AND COLOR

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Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

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GARDENING FOR BUTTERFLIES

Wednesday, July 24, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Laura Aiken** as she focuses on the color and motion that butterflies bring to the gardens at Chanticleer, and how you can create the same magic at home. Judicious plant selection and maintenance techniques will be addressed in detail. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 24.

CONTAINER GARDENING

Thursday, July 25, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Container gardening at Chanticleer goes way beyond the ordinary, mingling annuals, perennials, tropical and subtropical plants in vibrant, highly creative combinations. Horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** will discuss how to create successful container gardens and offer suggestions for plant combinations for uncommon containers. He'll also discuss cultural concerns, such as soil mixes, watering and fertilization. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

SPECIAL BULB CLASSES ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Thinking about entering the Horticulture Classes at next year's Philadelphia Flower Show? Why not try your hand at growing these newly announced additions to the bulb classes.

General Bulb Classes *(open to all exhibitors)*

- *Narcissus* 'Golden Quince' (Miniature) in a 6" azalea pot.
- Any Division 7 (Jonquilla) Daffodil in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot.
- *Narcissus* 'Barrett Browning' (Division 3, Short-Cupped) in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot.
- *Tulipa* 'Attila' (Triumph) in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot.
- *Hyacinthus* 'Jan Bos' in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot.

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Bulb Challenge Class

Any *Chionodoxa,* in an azalea pot 6" or under.

Novice Classes *(open to anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in the Horticulture Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show prior to 2003)*

- Any *Narcissus* (except Division 7 and 'Barrett Browning') in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot.
- Any *Tulipa* (except 'Atilla') in an 8" bulb pan or azalea pot.
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis); a single-nosed bulb in a pot.

Note: All these bulbs must be grown and shown in pots of the size (diameter) and type specified. Look for more information and an entry form in the 2003 Philadelphia Flower Show *Exhibitor's Guide.* The guide will be mailed to PHS members in early fall and is available on request. Please call the Shows Department, (215) 988-8822, or email *eefran@pennhort.org*

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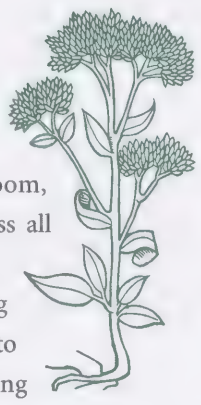
GROWING HERBS



Thursday, August 1, 6:00 am–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Using the splendid gardens of Chanticleer as an outdoor classroom, horticulturist **Laura Aiken** will discuss all aspects of growing herbs, from plant and site selection to incorporating herbs into ornamental garden areas to maintenance techniques to harvesting these useful, generally drought-resistant plants. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

THE ARRANGER'S GARDEN

Wednesday, August 14, 6:00–8:00 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

One of the best parts of flower gardening is enjoying the fruits of your labors indoors in the form of colorful and fragrant cut flower arrangements. Join horticulturist **Doug Croft** for a pleasant stroll through Chanticleer's Cut Flower Garden for a look at creative combinations of annuals, perennials, and shrubs. He'll discuss gardening practices that will allow you to fill your home with floral arrangements throughout the growing season and beyond! Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

CONFERENCE

WOODY PLANTS CONFERENCE

Friday, July 19, 2002
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College

Register early for this year's Woody Plants Conference. Speakers include **Richard Hawke,** manager of plant evaluation programs at the Chicago Botanic Garden; **Jeff Iles,** associate professor and chair of the horticulture department at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa; **Dennis C. McGlade,** a partner with the Philadelphia-based landscape architecture firm Olin Partnership; Irish author and tree expert **Thomas Pakenham;** and **Kim E. Tripp,** vice president for horticulture and living collections at the New York Botanic Garden.

The Woody Plants Conference is co-sponsored by Longwood Gardens; the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania; the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society; the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and the Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

For conference registration information, please call the continuing education office at Longwood Gardens, (610) 388-1000 ext. 507.

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Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events. Please note: If you don't receive confirmation, please call (215) 988-8869 to make sure you are registered before arriving at an event.

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Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
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programreg@pennhort.org

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Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Helping Your Trees (lunch)	7/17	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Helping Your Trees (dinner)	7/17	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Line, Texture and Color	7/11	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Gardening for Butterflies	7/24	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Container Gardening	7/25	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Growing Herbs	8/1	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ The Arranger's Garden	8/14	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	**$**_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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Email: _____

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Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

A NEW GUIDE TO RECLAIMING VACANT LOTS

PHS's Philadelphia Green program has just completed a new how-to manual to help city agencies, community-based organizations and block groups reclaim vacant lots in the city. The guide outlines Philadelphia Green's basic "clean & green" approach to managing vacant land, which involves clearing debris, planting grass and trees, and installing fences. The manual will also provide information on settling ownership issues, developing a site plan, and outlining a long-term maintenance strategy. Look for more details in the next issue of *PHS News.*

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BOOK SALE

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale on Wednesday, November 6, 2002. Buy new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. If you have books to donate or if you would like to volunteer, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at (215) 988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org*

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2002 PHILADELPHIA HARVEST SHOW

"Rock-and-Roll Harvest!"
September 14 & 15

10 am–5 pm

Horticulture Center
Fairmount Park

- **Tickets**
  Adults: $6 (PHS members receive complimentary tickets)
  Children (ages 2 to 12): $2
  (Must be accompanied by an adult)
- **Opening Celebration**
  Friday, September 13, 4–7 pm,
  Horticulture Center
- **Members' Annual Plant Dividend**
  Friday, September 13, 4–7 pm
  Saturday, September 14, 10 am–5 pm
- **PHS Harvest Show Shoppe**
  Present your PHS membership card for a 20% discount on regular-price items.

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Jim Roese

Pete Prown

175 YEARS OF GREAT GARDENING

1869: At the Grand Autumnal Exhibition of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, fruit surpassed all previous exhibits. Fruit from as far away as California brought in by railroad free of charge; Wells Fargo also cooperated.

From the chronology, *From Seed to Flower: Philadelphia 1681–1876. The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 1976.*

Join us on October 29 for a fascinating lecture on PHS history by Liz Ball. See page 7 for details.

Rob Ikeler

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Triple Pleasure

It was a wonderful day for the garden, that Saturday in mid-May when the sun was bright, the sky blue and the wind brisk. In the early part of the day, I transplanted the tomatoes and some of the annuals I had been nurturing under lights. By the time I had finished, my limbs were sore, but my satisfaction was high. I just love those peaceful, early hours in my garden.

My next garden pleasure was a visit to North Philadelphia, where residents of the Association of Puerto Ricans on the March (APM), members of the PHS staff and Philadelphia's Mural Arts Program joined to celebrate the completion of a giant mural and the planting of a beautiful garden. The event brought into sharp focus for me the mission of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society *to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.* The garden was filled with children and also with residents of an AIDS housing facility, built in the neighborhood by the APM Community Development Corporation. Around the facility is new housing, where Philadelphia Green staff members have held workshops on plant care and have worked with residents to add plantings to soften the new construction.

One block away is another APM project, a new shopping center with plantings installed under the guidance of Philadelphia Green staff. The development of this area has been a wonderful collaboration among many organizations, and it's inspiring to see what can happen when people join together to make such improvements.

My final visit for the day was a trip to Bucks County, where members of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the North American Rock Garden Society had graciously opened their gardens to Chapter members. As with garden openings for PHS members, these visits are wonderful opportunities to enjoy not only the visual pleasure of the gardens, but also to benefit from the wisdom and experience of the gardeners. For several years I had enjoyed the Flower Show exhibits that Dick Van Duzer designed for the Rock Garden Society, but I had never seen the delightful garden that he has developed with Ted Garrison. What a pleasure that was.

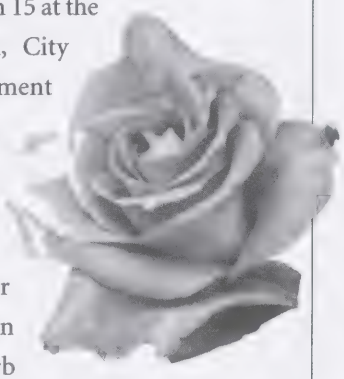
"The Pleasures of the Garden," the theme of this year's Flower Show, keeps playing in my mind as I think back on that day. Each experience was different, but each so satisfying and all had the garden at the heart of the experience.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS President

JANE PEPPER TO SPEAK AT ROSE CONVENTION

Jane Pepper will be one of the featured speakers at the American Rose Society's National Convention, to be held this fall in Philadelphia. The Convention, "Let Roses Ring," will be held September 12 through 15 at the Adams Mark Hotel, City Avenue and Monument Road in Philadelphia. Jane will talk about "The Greening of Philadelphia." PHS Council member and local garden commentator Herb Clarke will also speak. The Convention includes sightseeing in and around Philadelphia and a visit to Longwood Gardens.



For more information or to register, please call (215) 345-0820 or visit *www.pjdistrictrose.org*

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

Charitable Gift Annuities

Do any of the following statements apply to you?

- Interest rates on your CDs and other fixed-income investments have declined and you would like to increase your cash flow
- You own appreciated stock, but hesitate selling and reinvesting because of capital gains tax
- You would like to be able to count on fixed-income payments that are unaffected by interest rates or the gyrations of the stock market

A Charitable Gift Annuity can help insulate your investment portfolio from today's market fluctuations and is a wonderful way to support PHS's future. A charitable gift annuity can be established with a gift of $5,000 or more, and in exchange, PHS will pay you and/or another beneficiary a guaranteed income for life. Beneficiaries must be at least 60 years of age.

We can provide you with a confidential, personalized illustration of the financial benefits of establishing a charitable gift annuity at PHS. Please contact Suzanne Betts, PHS development director, at (215) 988-8819 or *sbetts@pennhort.org*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: DORENE MARTIN

Anyone who has passed by the south façade of historic Eastern State Penitentiary in Philadelphia's Fairmount section knows that it looks terrific these days. That's largely due to a dedicated group of volunteers. "And there's one volunteer we really count on," says PHS staff member Julie Snell, who oversees the site, "and that's Dorene Martin."

Dorene has been actively involved at Eastern State since 1989, when revitalization of its landscape became a priority for some Fairmount residents, who began working with Philadelphia Green. Dorene eagerly joined the committee to beautify the site. "We really started with just dirt," says Dorene. "It was really fun creating something new and working with people from the neighborhood."

The first big workday drew about 100 volunteers who planted 1,500 perennials—mostly gold-colored meadow flowers. Unfortunately, the original planting became difficult to maintain, as many volunteers where unable to distinguish the meadow plants from weeds when they came up in the spring. The site has since been redesigned to include tall ravenna grasses that complement the massive scale of the building, as well as large shrubs, daylilies, coreopsis, and other perennials. "We now have something in bloom from March to December." says Dorene.

Dorene and her friend Miriam Galster, another dedicated volunteer, faithfully water the gardens during the hot summer months. "We think of Eastern State as a gateway to our neighborhood," Dorene says. "So when people come by and comment on how nice it looks, it really makes you feel proud."

In addition to her busy career as a high school nurse, Dorene is active with PHS all year long. She serves on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, has helped out at the Harvest Show, and volunteers as a judge for the City Gardens Contest. And every year at the Philadelphia Flower Show, she helps staff the Philadelphia Green exhibit. She explains: "I think it's especially important for Flower Show visitors to see the great work that's being done in Philadelphia's neighborhoods." *– Jane Carroll*

2003 GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARDS

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is pleased to announce the winners of the 2003 Gold Medal Plant Awards, described below. The Gold Medal Plant Award program promotes woody plants of outstanding merit for use in our growing area—Zone 5 through 7. A selection of Gold Medal plants will be available for purchase in the PHS tent at the Harvest Show. (Members receive a 20% discount.)

***Bignonia capreolata* 'Dragon Lady' (Cross vine)** is an exceptional, evergreen self-clinging vine with dark green leaves that turn purple in winter. Attractive reddish trumpet-shaped flowers decorate the plant in June and July. 'Dragon Lady' is hardier and more floriferous than the species; its distinctive characteristics include drought-resistance, wet-site tolerance, and attractiveness to hummingbirds and butterflies. It has no serious pest problems. Prune this native after flowering as needed. Grows 30 feet high by 30 feet wide in full or part sun. Hardy in Zones 5 to 9.

***Camellia japonica* 'Korean Fire'** is a large evergreen shrub with glossy dark green foliage. Its large, flat, bright red flowers with yellow stamens bloom March through May. Considered to be the hardiest of the japonica species, 'Korean Fire' has survived temperatures of -12° F with no injury, and it has no serious pest problems. Plant it in part sun protected from winter winds. This shrub matures to 15 feet high by 8 feet wide and is hardy in Zones 6 to 9.

***Deutzia xhybrida* 'Magicien'** is a distinctive deciduous shrub with bright green leaves and a rounded habit. Interesting pink flowers with white edges cover the plant each June. 'Magicien' is fast growing, adaptable to many soil conditions, and has no serious pest problems. Prune to remove old wood or control height after flowering. Grows to 6 feet high by 5 feet wide in full or part sun. Hardy in Zones 5 to 8.

Barry Yinger

Spiraea thunbergii 'Ogon' Mellow Yellow®

***Magnolia grandiflora* 'Bracken's Brown Beauty'** is a pyramidal evergreen tree with glossy dark-green leaves. The lemon-scented large white flowers bloom in late spring. 'Bracken's Brown Beauty' is recognized for its dense pyramidal growth habit and unsurpassed cold hardiness. It suffers no serious pest problems. The mature tree grows to 35 feet high by 20 feet wide. Plant in full or part sun; it is hardy in Zones 5b to 9.

Larry Albee

Magnolia grandiflora 'Bracken's Brown Beauty'

Deutzia xhybrida 'Magicien'

***Pinus strobus* 'Fastigiata' (Upright Eastern White Pine)** is an upright form of white pine that lacks the rigid appearance of most columnar plant forms. Soft evergreen needles adorn the ascending branches of this tree. Growing to about 50 feet high by 20 feet wide in just 25 years, this pine is ideal for screening. Lower branches persist into maturity. Plant in full sun in all but alkaline soils. Hardy in Zones 3-7.

Richard Lighty

***Spiraea thunbergii* 'Ogon' Mellow Yellow®** is a deciduous shrub with finely textured, bright yellow-to-chartreuse leaves. White flowers precede the foliage in early spring. A three-season charmer, 'Ogon' produces persistent fall colors of orange, red, pink, or salmon. It tolerates many soil types and light conditions, making it ideal for the perennial bed or a foundation planting. This shrub grows to 4 feet high and wide in full or part sun, and you can prune at any time to keep it full and neat. Hardy in Zones 5 to 9.

THANKS TO OUR 2002 GARDEN VISIT HOSTS

PHS wishes to thank the generous people who opened their gardens to PHS members for this year's Spring Garden Visits. Many thanks, too, to all the volunteers who make this program possible, especially the Garden Visit Committee: Sally Graham (chair), Anna Marie Amey, Alice Doering, Kate Farrell, Sandy Manthorpe, Alan Slack, and Sandy Ward.

Sunday, May 5, Wilmington, Delaware
Frog Hollow Garden, Per and Eve Thyrum
Ann and Emmett Jacobs
Goodstay Gardens, University of Delaware
Rockmere, Wendy and Robbie Richards
Mt. Cuba Center

Sunday, May 19, Society Hill, Philadelphia
Pennsylvania Hospital Physic Garden
Mark and Ruth Valentine
Ed and Pat Coyle
Hill-Physick-Keith House
Adriana Von Pein
Susie Pattison
Powel House

Sunday, June 9, Princeton, New Jersey
Kay Dresdner
Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Weatherill
Allen and Sova Fisher
Mr. and Mrs. William Scheide
James and Janet Hester
John H. Jacobus, David P. and Claire R. Jacobus
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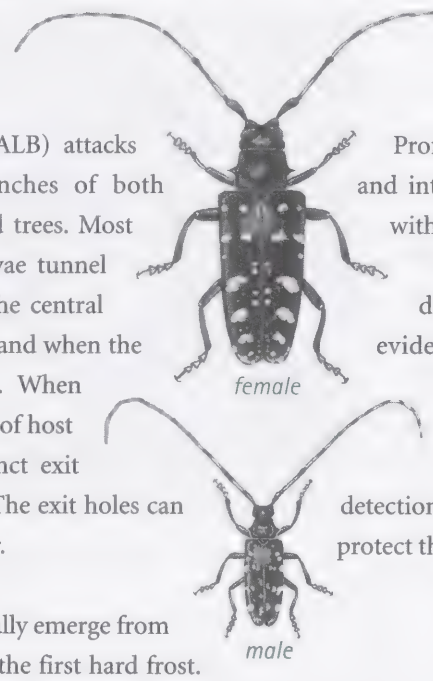
TREE PEST ALERT: ASIAN LONGHORNED BEETLE

Since 1996, communities in and around New York City and Chicago have lost thousands of trees to infestations of the Asian longhorned beetle. This invasive pest *(Anoplophora glabripennis)* is thought to have come to the United States in packing materials from China sometime in the last 10 years.

It's easy to see where the name comes from—the beetle has long antennae that resemble the shape of the horns on longhorned cattle (see illustration). The adults are large, glossy and black, with irregular white spots on their wing covers. The long, curved antennae are striped white and black.



The Asian longhorned beetle (ALB) attacks primarily the trunks and branches of both healthy and weakened hardwood trees. Most of the damage occurs when larvae tunnel their way to the heartwood in the central part of the tree, where they feed, and when the much larger adults tunnel out. When adult beetles tunnel their way out of host trees, they leave large and distinct exit holes that look perfectly round. The exit holes can measure $^{3}/_{8}$ to $^{1}/_{2}$ inch in diameter.

In the United States, adults generally emerge from host trees between late June and the first hard frost. Repeated attacks can kill the tree, and currently, the only known way to prevent the spread of this pest is to cut down the infested tree and chip the wood to destroy any eggs, larvae and adult beetles.

Mature ALBs take about a year to develop from when a female beetle first deposits her eggs in small depressions that she hollows out in the bark of a tree. Each female may lay 30 to 200 eggs. Larval tunneling often results in a lot of sap flow from entry holes on the trunk and larger branches of affected trees. Large amounts of sawdust-like insect droppings may be found on the ground near tree trunks, or in the crotches of branches.

In China, the beetles are a major threat to poplar trees, but in this country, their main hosts have been members of the maple family, followed by elm, birch, willow and poplar. Property owners living near known infestations of ALB may want to take the beetle's preferred host species into account when considering new tree plantings.

Early detection of the ALB is critical to prevent its spread. Since its entry into this country has been mainly in wood packing materials, the USDA issued a ruling in 1998 that wood packing materials from China or Hong Kong must be treated with preservatives, heat treated or fumigated before shipping to the United States. The USDA has also stepped up inspections at warehouses and ports of entry.

Professional arborists, landscapers, landowners and interested citizens who have regular contact with trees are our first line of defense in the battle to detect and eradicate this dangerous tree pest. Anyone spotting evidence of possible ALB infestation, or infestation by other exotic tree pests, should call an appropriate resource listed below. Regular monitoring and early detection are the best tools in the constant battle to protect the health of our invaluable trees and forests.

–Judy Antipin,
Courtesy of USDA Forest Service, Northeastern Area

Resources

To report sighting of an Asian longhorned beetle, call:

- USDA Animal and Plant Inspection Service (APHIS) in Philadelphia
  (215) 597-4515 ext. 0
  or
- The Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture
  (717) 772-5228

For more information on the Asian longhorned beetle, visit the following websites:

- *www.na.fs.fed.us/spfo/alb*
- *www.aphis.usda.gov/oa/alb/alb.html*

HELPING PHS THROUGH THE UNITED WAY

Fall marks the kick-off of the annual United Way campaign, and through the Donor Option program, you can direct your United Way pledge or outright contribution to PHS.

Each year PHS receives nearly $10,000 in gifts through the Donor Option program. This year we hope you will consider directing your United Way gift to PHS. Simply note our Donor Option ID #06197 on your United Way pledge card.

Your contribution will help to support the Society's urban greening program, Philadelphia Green, which works with communities throughout Philadelphia to beautify neighborhoods, enhance public parks and landscapes, and preserve open green space.

ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for the Society's 175th Annual Meeting on Tuesday, November 12 at 5pm at PHS, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. We will elect new Council members, take up other committee business, and celebrate the recipients of the Society's awards.

At its June 20th meeting, the Council approved the nomination of the following members for re-election to second three-year terms: Herb Clarke, Hayward Ford, Karen Minyard, and Sharon Turner.

In addition, the Nominating Committee will place in nomination for three-year terms the following persons who are not currently members of Council: [*Note: three-year terms begin November 12, 2002.*]

Doris Gwaltney is president of the Carroll Park Neighbors Advisory Council. A member of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, she serves on the Philadelphia Neighborhood Housing Services, Inc., Board of Directors, and is active in neighborhood organizations.

Anne B. Kellett is chair of PHS Council. She is a member of The Gardeners Garden Club, serves on the board of Jenkins Arboretum and is a trustee of the Lawrence Saunders Fund.

Nicholas J. Kovich is a member of PHS's Finance Committee. He serves on the Annual Campaign Committee at Inglis House, as well as the Development Committee of the Board of Trustees of the Agnes Irwin School. Nick is also a member of the Financial Analysts of Philadelphia and the American Institute of Chemical Engineers. He is retired as a senior investment executive at Miller, Anderson & Sherrerd.

Howard L. Meyers is senior partner in the Business and Finance Practice at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP. He is a member of PHS's Flower Show Executive Committee, and is General Counsel and a member of the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. Howard also serves on the Board of Directors of Greater Philadelphia First.

J. William Mills, III is regional president of The PNC Financial Services Group for Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey. Bill oversees all operations in the 11 counties that make up PNC's largest region, which includes 170 branches and nearly 6,000 employees. He is a member of PHS's Executive and Finance committees, and served as Flower Show Chair in 2000 and 2001.

Melinda Moritz is vice chair of the Flower Show Competitive Classes, as well as a member of PHS's Flower Show Executive and Membership committees. Melinda is vice president of Target Communications, Inc., owner of Melinda Moritz Design, and a member of the Greene Countrie Garden Club and the Philadelphia Society of Botanical Illustrators.

Lee Morris Raden founded the Delaware Valley Chapter of the American Rock Garden Society in 1965 and served as president from 1986 to 1990. Lee has been active in the Philadelphia Flower Show for more than three decades, having exhibited and served as co-chair of Horticultural Passing. He is the current co-chair of Horticulture for the Show's Competitive Classes, chair of the Education Services Committee, and volunteers as an "Ask a Gardener" expert for PHS.

William L. Wilson is founder and principal-in-charge of Synterra Ltd., a landscape architectural, planning and construction-management firm, as well as Synterra Partners, a hotel and resort development firm. Bill serves on the Flower Show Executive Committee and chairs the Philadelphia Multicultural Affairs Congress. He is a board member of other cultural and nonprofit institutions.

★★★ Please return your signed proxy, we need your vote! ★★★

PROXY FORM

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Annual Meeting of Members, November 12, 2002

The undersigned hereby appoints Anne B. Kellett, Jane G. Pepper, and Sally N. Graham, each of them the true and lawful attorneys of said member, with full power of substitution to vote at the Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, to be held at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, November 12, 2002, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present:

1. For the election of Council Members, all adult members of household should sign.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

All adult members of household should sign:

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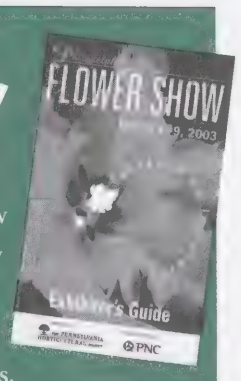
Please return no later than November 8, 2002 to PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103.

ATTENTION FLOWER SHOW EXHIBITORS



The Philadelphia Flower Show Exhibitor's Guide can now be downloaded from the Flower Show website! Go to *www.theflowershow.com* for details.

MCLEAN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Wednesday, November 6, 10 am–5 pm
Silent Auction, 11 am–1 pm

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale on Wednesday, November 6, 2002, 10 am to 5 pm. Buy new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. Also, for the first time this year, a selection of noteworthy titles will be available during a Silent Auction, from 11 am to 1 pm. If you have books to donate, or would like to volunteer, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at (215) 988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org*

LIBRARY BOOK GROUP RECONVENES IN OCTOBER

The McLean Library's **"Stories From the Garden"** book discussion group reconvenes in October after a summer hiatus. Each month, we'll read and discuss works of fiction or non-fiction having something to do with gardens, plants, or the land. The Group meets on the **first Thursday evening of each month,** beginning October 3rd, 5:45–7:45 pm in the McLean Library.

2002–2003 reading schedule:

2002

October 3	Mary Oliver, *4 Poems*
November 7	Michael Pollan, *The Botany of Desire*
December 5	Henry James, "In the Cage"

2003

January 2	Karel Capek, "The Blue Chrysanthemum" & "The Stolen Cactus"
February 6	Anita Desai, *Clear Light of Day*
April 3	Daniel Quinn, *Ishmael*
May 1	Susan Orlean, *The Orchid Thief*
June 5	Rumer Godden, *An Episode of Sparrows*

While participation is free and open to the public, registration is required. Participants read each month's selection prior to discussion. To register or for more information, please contact the McLean Library by email *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org* or call (215) 988-8782.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES

WALKS

LANDSCAPING FOR BIRDS AND BUTTERFLIES

Tuesday, September 24, 10 am–12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Late-season garden additions will be the focus of this presentation and tour of Meadowbrook Farm by horticulturist **Karl Rider** Preparing for the fall migration, birds and butterflies alike need great quantities of nutritious foods to make the journey. We will study butterfly host plants and the conditions they require. Special focus will be placed on plants that help promote butterfly conservation. Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS FOR FALL

Tuesday, October 1, 5:30 pm–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Laurel Voran** will discuss the ornamental qualities and culture of Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gold Medal Plants growing at Chanticleer, emphasizing plants that are particularly valued for their fall interest. A garden walk and slide presentation will introduce you to these excellent plants, which are ideal for growing in the Delaware Valley. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

EVENING GARDEN WALK

Wednesday, October 16, 5:30–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer executive director **Chris Woods** will lead an early evening walk through this estate pleasure garden at the peak of its enchanting autumn beauty. Register early! This is a popular program. Limit: 24. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members.

WORKSHOPS

PLANT PROPAGATION FOR KIDS

Saturday, September 21, 10–11:30 am
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Young adults aged 8 to12 are invited to Meadowbrook Farm to explore a hands-on experience with a wide variety of plants. Horticulturist **Julie Horoutunian** will provide an explanation of plant classification and propagation—including division, tip cuttings and seed sowing. The workshop will be followed by a tour of the grounds and greenhouses. Limit: 15. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH COLORED PENCILS

Two Sessions: Wednesday and Thursday, October 2 and 3, 10 am–3 pm
PHS Classroom, 5th Floor

Interpret live flowers, fruits and vegetables using the versatile medium of colored pencils. This two-day workshop with **Eileen Rosen** will emphasize drawing and form. Specific techniques will be taught to create rich, glowing, and realistic results. Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts-Philadelphia College of Arts and Design, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. A materials list will be mailed upon registration. Please bring lunch. This is a two-day class, and you must attend the first session. Limit: 15. Fee: $90 members, $95 non-members.

CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS

Wednesday, October 9, 10 am–12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will present an introductory lecture and slide program on these fascinating plants. He'll discuss and illustrate with slides the basic distinctions between cactus and other succulents, including the many families with succulent genera, and the qualities specific to each.

The second part of the class will focus on the propagation and culture of certain plants on hand. In particular, John will concentrate on the criteria for developing a show plant. Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

FEARLESS FLORAL DESIGN

Thursday, November 7, 6–8 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Learn what makes a good flower arrangement better under the expert guidance of **Melinda Moritz** and **Sally Humphreys.** Traditional and modern "mass arrangements" will be demonstrated, and you will have the opportunity to create one of your own. The cost includes the many flowers used in mass arrangements and containers; all you need to bring are your favorite clippers.

Melinda Moritz and Sally Humphreys are accomplished flower arrangers and experienced instructors, and both serve on important PHS committees. Melinda is vice-chair of the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee, as well as a member of the Flower Show Executive and Membership Committees. Sally also serves on the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee and is an advisor-at-large for the arrangement classes. Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.

INTERNATIONAL LECTURE SERIES

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 during evening lectures, which will be followed by refreshments and wine.

THE MIXED BORDERS AT WISLEY: SKILL AND ART

Wednesday, September 25, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

David Jewell, superintendent of the Floral Ornamental Department at the Royal Horticultural Society garden, Wisley, will discuss every aspect of the art and science behind the fabulous flower borders at this famous British garden. We'll get a behind-the-scenes tour, looking at pre-season soil preparation and plant selection, practical maintenance techniques including staking and mulching, and how the plants harmonize color, heights and textures throughout the season. David will also discuss putting the borders to bed at the end of the season.

A grandson of a nurseryman, David Jewell began his horticultural career as an apprentice at age 16. A graduate of the Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, he has worked in the field of horticulture for 26 years in private and public gardens, including Kew; Horace Walpole's garden, Strawberry Hill, in Twickenham; the private garden of an Arab sheik; and Wisley. Drawing on his broad experience as gardener, supervisor and educator, David's skills range from the practical to the sublime. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

GARDEN DESIGN MADE EASY: THE BASICS TO GET YOU STARTED

Thursday, October 10, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

Based on years of experience of teaching garden design from a practical standpoint, **Frank Hardy** looks at the factors that should be considered when designing a garden. He proposes a logical step-by-step approach, not based on inspiration or fantastic artistic talent, but one that any ordinary person can follow. It focuses on development of a groundwork pattern using site analysis to guide one to a logical conclusion.

Frank Hardy recently retired from Pershore College of Horticulture in the United Kingdom after 13 years of teaching and directing academic studies. His horticultural career began at Cramphorn's Seed Trial Grounds, followed by studies at Writtle College, work in parks departments, nurseries and landscape companies, and finally as a lecturer at the Scottish Agriculture College at Ayr and vice president of Pershore College of Horticulture. A prolific writer and frequent panelist and advisor at major horticultural shows, he has begun a new career as a garden consultant, with expertise in decorative gardening, turf culture, landscaping and garden design. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

DEMONSTRATION

GARDEN WORK IN FALL

Tuesday, October 29, 10 am–12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Many homeowners see the cooler temperatures and shorter days of the fall as a time when the garden dies back and the only job left is raking leaves. But this is the ideal time of the year to get to those garden tasks the spring rush doesn't always leave time for.

Activities such as cutting back, dividing and transplanting perennials, pruning trees and shrubs, planting seasonal

gardens of pansies, mums, asters, ornamental cabbage and kale, and cleaning and preparing beds for spring are ideal tasks for the cooler weather. This is also a good time to think ahead to future designs for next spring and to resume planting, as fall usually brings more consistent moisture than the hot summer months.

Horticulturist **Karl Rider** will discuss these topics and show examples. He'll also offer suggestions to make your next spring rush an easier one. Limit: 20. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members.

LECTURE

GROWING BETTER EVERY YEAR: 175 YEARS OF PHS

Tuesday, October 29, 6pm
PHS Auditorium

Garden writer and educator **Liz Ball** will chronicle the remarkable evolution of PHS from a small group of men interested in the "highly instructive and interesting science" of horticulture to a vital regional force in community greening. The history of PHS is a story of struggle and renewal in the context of 175 years of tumultuous regional and national history.

Liz Ball is a horticultural writer, photographer, researcher and teacher. Her articles and photographs have appeared in numerous catalogs, magazines and books. In addition to nine books co-written with her business partner, Jeff Ball, Liz has written six of her own, four of which concentrate on gardening in Pennsylvania. She teaches gardening and writing and is a frequent speaker at horticultural organizations. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 this evening. The lecture will be followed by refreshments and wine.

IN THE GARDEN

EVERGREEN AUTUMN PERFORMERS

Saturday, November 2, 1– 3 pm
Swarthmore, PA

As the foliage colors of autumn run their course, evergreens emerge as dominant landscape features. Apart from their crisp, clean foliage, many evergreens put on their greatest performance of the year with colorful fruit or flowers—and these welcome displays are long lasting. Join **Charles Cresson** to learn about the new hardy camellia hybrids in full bloom, along with hollies and various companion plants that broaden the display in garden settings at Hedgleigh Spring.

Charles Cresson is a garden designer, award-winning author, nationally known lecturer and avid gardener. He has worked for the Royal Horticultural Society, W. Atlee Burpee & Co, Winterthur and Chanticleer. Limit: 20. Fee: Members $20; non-members $25.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Landscaping for Birds and Butterflies	9/24	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Gold Medal Plants for Fall	10/1	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Evening Garden Walk	10/16	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Plant Propagation for Kids	9/21	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Botanical Illustration	10/2, 10/3	Fee: $90/95	_____	_____
☐ Cactus and Succulents	10/9	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Fearless Floral Design	11/7	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ The Mixed Borders at Wisley	9/25	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Design Made Easy	10/10	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Work in Fall	10/29	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Growing Better Every Year	10/29	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Evergreen Autumn Performers	11/2	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Francis Cabot lecture (see back page)	12/3	Fee: Free/$5	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events. Please note: If you don't receive confirmation, please call (215) 988-8869 to make sure you are registered before arriving at an event.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

EUROPEAN FLORAL DESIGN

Wednesday, November 13, 2002, 10 am–12 pm
Independence Seaport Museum

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is sponsoring a floral demonstration and lecture by world-renowned flower arranger René van Rems on Wednesday, November 13, 2002, at the Independence Seaport Museum in Philadelphia, PA.

This program will feature the latest trends in European floral design, covering a broad range of styles from traditional to innovative. Van Rems will demonstrate techniques and methods for working with unusual and everyday flowers and containers.

René van Rems

René van Rems, a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers and Professional Floral Commentators International, is a recognized ambassador of the floral industry. His work has been featured at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games, in art museums, in many national publications, and on television. He lectures and conducts workshops worldwide and is working on a definitive guide to the use of flowers in his book, *European Flower Styling*. A native of Holland, van Rems lives in and runs his business in San Diego.

A workshop for a limited number of people will be held from 1–3 pm (includes lunch).

Please send me an invitation to European Floral Design:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone: _____

Please return to:
Deb Fife
The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
100 N. 20th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495
Or contact Deb Fife at (215) 988-1622 or
dfife@pennhort.org

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SAVE THE DATE

December 3, 2002
Scott Arboretum, Swarthmore College

Francis H. Cabot will lecture at the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College on Tuesday, December 3, 2002, at 7:30 pm. Cabot, who along with his wife created Stonecrop garden in Cold Springs, New York, has served as chairman of the Friends of Horticulture at Wave Hill, as well as chairman of New York Botanical Garden. He is the founding chairman of the Garden Conservancy. The lecture is co-sponsored by PHS, the Scott Arboretum and the Garden Conservancy and is free to members of all three institutions. Copies of his recent book, *The Greater Perfection* (about his garden in Quebec, Les Quatres Vents), will be available for purchase and signing. Free for members of PHS, Scott Arboretum, and the Garden Conservancy. $5 for non-members.

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VOLUNTEERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Welcome to this special "thank you" issue of *PHS News*. In this issue, we celebrate the contributions of thousands of volunteers who help the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society run the events and programs that fill our calendars all year long. From serving on committees to planting bulbs at City Hall to filling hundreds of roles at the Flower Show, volunteers help PHS fulfill its mission each and every day.

Also included is a list of those who made donations to PHS in memory or in honor of loved ones or friends.

From all of us at PHS, our heartfelt thanks!

John Gannon

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SAVE THIS DATE

2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW PRESENTS

Maesterflorist Gregor Lersch

World renowned German Floral Designer, Lecturer and Author

Wednesday, March 5, 2003

- Floral Demonstration
- Cocktail Reception and Book Signing

(see page 7 for details and registration)

175 YEARS OF GREAT GARDENING

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has a long tradition of promoting the beautification of Philadelphia. During the period 1836 to 1855, the Society showed "a distinct interest in municipal problems of a horticultural nature. In 1849 a committee was appointed to recommend to City Council the eradication of objectionable trees in our public squares and the planting of desirable ones and to interest the Council in the establishment of an arboretum."

From A History of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society 1827–1927, by James Boyd (20th President), published in 1929.

John Gannon

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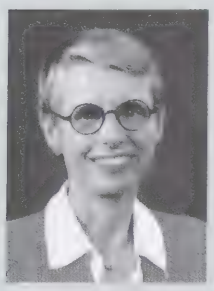
The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

A Taste of Perfection



When a couple of friends invited me to go with them to the gardens at Les Quatre Vents this summer, it only took a minute for me to say "yes." For years, I had heard about this wonderful spot near Quebec and had enjoyed it from afar when I read *The Greater Perfection: The Story of the Gardens at Les Quatre Vents.*

It was quite a trek up to La Malbaie, with rain gushing off the windscreen as we traveled through northern Maine and into Canada, then 90 miles east of Quebec. When we arrived in Charlesvoix County, it was muggy and dismal. The next day it was clear and bright, with blue sky and scudding clouds. It was the perfect day to see this garden, and we had the perfect guide in Frank Cabot, the creative force behind Les Quatre Vents since 1975.

This beautiful garden nestles in rolling farmland within sight of the St. Lawrence River. The early garden grew around a house built in 1928 by Cabot's parents and was shaped by his two architect uncles in the 1930s and 1950s. But the real development of the gardens at Les Quatre Vents started in 1975, when Frank and his wife Anne took over the property.

On December 3rd, Frank will lecture to members of PHS and the Scott Arboretum at Swarthmore College about the development of Les Quatre Vents. Your tour through the garden could never be as wonderful as our visit in July, because we won't be able to replicate the perfect temperature, the blue sky and puffy clouds, but I promise you a fascinating talk. If you can possibly join us, I urge you to do so. Frank has wonderful photographs, and his story of how the garden grew and grew will intrigue you. This gardener is a man of impeccable taste and ingenuity, with a curiosity for plants and a love of all things beautiful. On our trip, we missed the blooming of the *Meconopsis betonicifolia* (Himalayan blue poppy), but we hit the delphiniums right on time. In his lecture, I am sure we will see both, as well as photographs of the garden in spring and fall—seasons I have only enjoyed through *The Greater Perfection.*

You can sign up for Frank's lecture on p. 11. Copies of *The Greater Perfection*, signed by the author, will be available for purchase at the event. I hope to see you at Swarthmore on December 3rd. My trip to Les Quatre Vents was one of the highlights of my summer; I hope this lecture will be one of your highlights for the winter.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS President

GIVE A SPECIAL GIFT THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

This holiday season, consider making a horticultural gift to someone on your list. Below are PHS projects in need of special support. A donation in honor of a friend or family member would make a wonderful holiday gift that will be remembered for many years to come.

Azalea Garden

Located directly behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art, along Kelly Drive, the Azalea Garden was a gift to the city in 1952 by PHS. Over the last 10 years we have restored it to its original beauty and have made a long-term commitment to maintain it. This past spring we installed an irrigation system, but several years of drought have resulted in a significant loss of plants.

The following replacement plants are needed:

14 Rose Greeley Azaleas	$80 per plant
4 American Hollies	$900 per plant
2 Meserve Hollies	$190 per plant

(cost includes procurement and installation)

Community Gardens

Since 1974, Philadelphia Green has helped city residents start 1,500 community gardens. These gardens come in all shapes and sizes, ranging from small sitting gardens to entire city blocks of neatly tended vegetable plots. Resources like plants, tools, and fencing are always needed. Consider a gift, of any size, to support our work with community gardeners.

All gifts will be acknowledged with a special gift card. For more information or to make a gift, please contact Suzanne Betts, PHS development director, at (215) 988-8819 or email *sbetts@pennhort.org*

GIFTS OF MEMBERSHIP

Looking for a great gift idea? Consider making a gift of membership in the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. With free tickets to the Philadelphia Flower Show and Harvest Show, special events and great publications, PHS membership is a gift that will be enjoyed in many different ways throughout the year.

We have many membership options to choose from. Please call our membership services staff at (215) 988-8776 or 988-8832, weekdays from 10 am to 4 pm, and give the gift of membership today! At your request, we'll include a gift box and custom PHS ribbon to make your gift extra special.

PHS WINS MAJOR GRANT FROM THE WILLIAM PENN FOUNDATION

The William Penn Foundation has awarded a two-year, $2,000,000 grant to PHS toward implementation of its "Green City Strategy," which promotes open space and greening as a critical part of revitalization and improvement efforts in Philadelphia. The Strategy has been adopted as part of the city's anti-blight campaign, the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative. At its core, the Green City Strategy aims to improve the quality of urban life by creating vibrant open spaces that will, ultimately, help retain current residents and businesses while attracting new investments to Philadelphia's neighborhoods and downtown areas.

The William Penn grant supports the interim management of vacant land until future redevelopment occurs, incorporating new open space into rebuilt neighborhoods, and Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project.

The William Penn Foundation was founded in 1945 by Otto and Phoebe Haas. The Foundation promotes understanding of and action on important issues facing the Philadelphia region, in order to advance dynamic and diverse communities and to improve the region's quality of life.

ANNUAL AWARDS ANNOUNCED

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is pleased to announce the following awards for 2002, presented to special friends of the Society.

Distinguished Achievement Medal

Elizabeth P. McLean

Elizabeth P. McLean is a lecturer, researcher, writer, teacher, horticulturist and leader who generously shares her knowledge. Elizabeth is well known as a respected landscape and horticultural historian, and many have enjoyed her lectures to garden clubs, the school of the Barnes Arboretum, and other horticultural institutions. At PHS, she served for many years on Council and on the Executive and Library Committees, and is currently a member of the Flower Show Executive and Education Services Committees. Beyond serving on committees, Elizabeth is a "doer" who has taken on special Flower Show assignments. She and her husband Bill have generously opened their garden to PHS members, rain or shine.

Beyond PHS, Elizabeth is a research associate in botany for the Academy of Natural Sciences and has served as a consultant to the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, the "Highlands," and the Philadelphia Landmark Society. Her writings have been published in *Green Scene*, *Bartonia*, and the *Garden Journal of the Royal Horticultural Society*. She has also served on many boards, including the Library Company of Philadelphia.

Certificates of Merit

Dr. Gerald and Beatrice Barad

The Barads are well known to the PHS community as award-winning Flower Show exhibitors. Judges and visitors alike recognize their perfectly exquisite succulent collections and specimens; fellow exhibitors always appreciate their warm support and encouragement. The Barads have been active members of the Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society for many years. Dr. Barad has served as president and long-time board member of the Cactus and Succulent Society of America, and both were instrumental in starting the Cactus and Succulent Society of New Jersey. They have made a significant impact on the local, national, and international horticultural community in a number of ways, and continue to write, lecture, share photographs, and serve as active leaders of the Cactus and Succulent Society.

Bitsy and Louis Hood

Bitsy and Louis Hood have been great friends of PHS and other local horticultural institutions, giving their time, talents, expertise, and enthusiasm in many ways. While Flower Show visitors have enjoyed Louis' sense of humor ("Louie vs. the Deer" is a favorite Gardener's Studio presentation), many others have benefited from his knowledge in the Horticulture Information Booth, where he serves as vice-chair. Louis is also an active member of the Ask-a-Gardener team and the Membership Committee. Both Louis and Bitsy have generously shared their garden with members of PHS and other horticultural organizations. Bitsy has served as judge of the City Gardens Contest and clerked at the Junior Flower Show; she has also been active in the Four Counties Garden Club and the Garden Club of America.

James Stanley

James Stanley epitomizes PHS's mission to motivate people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture. More than a dozen years ago, he decided to brighten his auto-body shop at 52nd Street & Columbia Avenue with some planters—and kept going. He has been a major influence in his West Philadelphia neighborhood, rallying neighbors to create and maintain a community vegetable and flower garden in a former vacant lot.

James is well known for his tremendous sense of design and use of exotic plants and as a master of recycling; he built a gazebo with found objects, creating columns with five-gallon plastic restaurant buckets. He has been affiliated with Philadelphia Green for a decade, having served on the Advisory Board, and is a multiple blue ribbon winner in PHS's City Gardens Contest.

McLEAN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Wednesday, November 6
Book Sale, 10 am–5 pm
Silent Auction, 11 am–1 pm

The annual McLean Library Book Sale will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2002 from 10 am to 5 pm. Buy new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. Also, for the first time this year, a selection of noteworthy titles will be available during a Silent Auction, from 11 am to 1 pm. For more information about the Book Sale, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at (215) 988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org*

Horticultural Hall, PHS's original headquarters, at the corner of Broad & Lardner (now Latimer) Streets, Philadelphia.

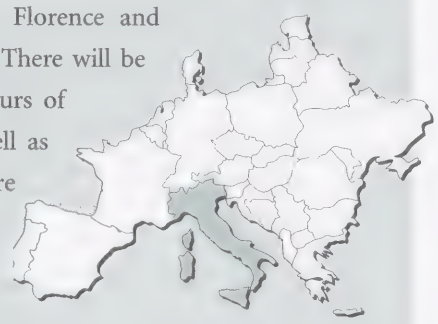
TRAVEL WITH US

Great Gardens of Rome and Tuscany

April 28–May 10, 2003

Join fellow PHS members to explore gardens in Tuscany and near Rome. We'll see great historic gardens that define Italian style, with formal parterres, fountains, and water features. We'll visit private and public gardens created during the mid to late 20th century in a wide range of gardening styles, and delight in the famed scenery of Tuscany where many gardens have enchanting "borrowed views." Many of the owners of private gardens will open their villas to us.

Hotel accomodations include four nights in Rome, four in Florence and three in Lucca. There will be introductory tours of each city, as well as time to explore independently.



Leading our tour will be Rory Stuart, an Englishman recently transplanted to Italy. Rory is a garden designer, author, and lecturer whose passion for gardens has taken him around the world. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group.

Private Gardens of Maryland

June 2–5, 2003

We invite you to join us for a four-day tour of exceptional gardens—both privately owned and estate gardens—along Maryland's Eastern Shore, near Annapolis, and north of Baltimore. Many gardens have glorious views of the creeks and rivers that flow into Chesapeake Bay.

Hotel accommodations will be at the Tidewater Inn in Easton for three nights. A private motor coach will pick up and discharge passengers in two or three locations in the region (to be determined when registration is complete).

To view the complete itinerary, visit our website at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* or call Betsy Gullan (215-988-8778) to request a brochure.

Gardens of Scotland with Jane Pepper

Jun 8–19, 2003

At the present time, the trip to Scotland is filled. If you would like to be put on the waiting list or receive a brochure, please contact Betsie Blodgett at (215) 988-8818 or *bblodgett@pennhort.org*

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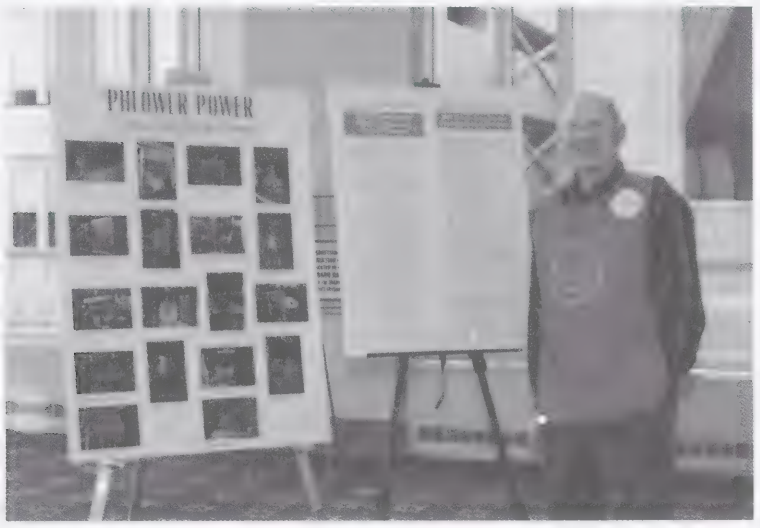

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EUROPEAN FLORAL DESIGN

Wednesday, November 13, 2002, 10 am–12 pm
Independence Seaport Museum

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is sponsoring a floral demonstration and lecture by world-renowned flower arranger **René van Rems** on Wednesday, November 13, 2002, at the Independence Seaport Museum in Philadelphia, PA.

This program will feature the latest trends in European floral design, covering a broad range of styles from traditional to innovative.

René van Rems, a member of the American Institute of Floral Designers and Professional Floral Commentators International, is a recognized ambassador of the floral industry. His work has been featured at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games, in art museums, in many national publications, and on television. He lectures and conducts workshops worldwide and is working on a definitive guide to the use of flowers in his book, *European Flower Styling.* A native of Holland, van Rems lives in and runs his business in San Diego.

Demonstration: 10 am–noon
Limited preferred seating (Rows 1–9): $75
Open seating: $55

To register for European Floral Design, please contact Deb Fife at (215) 988-1622 or *dfife@pennhort.org*

PHS RECEIVES NEIGHBORHOOD AWARD

John Gannon

Planters at PHS headquarters

The Logan Square Neighborhood Association has chosen PHS to receive two awards in its annual gardening contest. The contest highlights beautification efforts in the Logan Square neighborhood in Center City.

The "Special Prize" blue ribbon award, in the category of Neighborhood Beautification, honors PHS not only for its beautification efforts in the neighborhood, but also for the outdoor planters outside Society headquarters and its general presence in the neighborhood.

The Association also gave PHS a "Second Prize," red ribbon award for the Gas Station Garden at 20th and Arch Streets, across from PHS headquarters. PHS coordinates community volunteer efforts to maintain the Gas Station Garden, as well as the Triangle Garden at 23rd and Summer Streets.

VOLUNTEER FOR THE 2003 FLOWER SHOW SHOPPE

Do you love people and enjoy selling? We invite you to join all the other enthusiastic volunteers to work at the 2003 Flower Show Shoppe.

You are needed for:

___ Checking and Marking ___ Cashier Assistance
___ Shoppe Set-up ___ Sales & Service
___ Distribution & Stock Control

There are three easy ways to sign up:

- Check off your interest above and mail this form to Flower Show Shoppe, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103, or
- Send the form by fax to (215) 988-8783, or
- Or, send an email to: *rmcgeary@pennhort.org*

Please sign up by January 3, 2003. We look forward to seeing you!

Name _____

Address _____

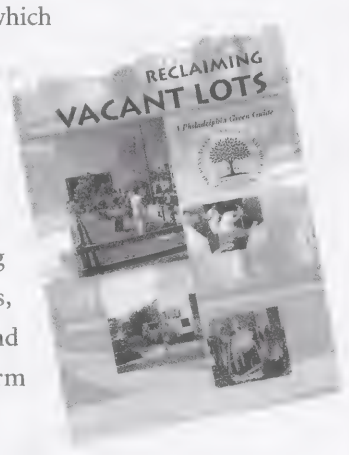
City/State/Zip _____

Phone (day) _____

Email: _____

NEW PHILADELPHIA GREEN MANUAL AVAILABLE!

PHS's Philadelphia Green program has compiled a "how-to" manual to help city agencies, community-based organizations and block groups reclaim vacant lots in the city. ***Reclaiming Vacant Lots*** outlines Philadelphia Green's basic "clean & green" approach to managing vacant land, which involves clearing debris, planting grass and trees and installing fences. The manual also provides information on settling ownership issues, developing a site plan, and outlining a long-term maintenance strategy.



To order a copy of the Guide, please send $4 to: PHS, Attn: Sonia Castro, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Please include your name, mailing address and phone number, along with check or money order made payable to PHS. **Please do not send cash. Also, write "Reclaiming Vacant Lots" on your check or money order. Supplies are limited, order today!**

For more information, please call (215) 988-8889 or email: *scastro@pennhort.org*

SPECIAL EVENT AT THE 2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Wednesday, March 5, 2003

Maesterflorist Gregor Lersch
World renowned German Floral Designer, Lecturer and Author

Floral Demonstration, 10 am–12:30 pm
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Auditorium, 1st floor, 13th & Race Streets entrance
$35 per person (Does NOT INCLUDE Flower Show admission)

An Evening with Gregor Lersch
Reception and Book Signing, 5:30–7:30 pm
Pennsylvania Convention Center, Suite 104
12th & Arch Streets, West entrance
$65 per person (INCLUDES Flower Show admission)

Beginning December 1, reservations for Wednesday's events and sales of Gregor Lersch's book (*Principles of Flower Arranging*) will be available online at the PHS Flower Show website: *www.theflowershow.com* For more information, please call (215) 988-8879.

Registration Form

Name _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (day) _____ (eve) _____

Email _____

Event	Quantity	Total
Floral Demonstration	____ x $35 =	_____
Reception and Book Signing	____ x $65 =	_____
Flower Show tickets (if applicable)	____ x $18 =	_____
Shipping & Handling		$5
	Subtotal	_____

Book orders:

Principles of Flower Arranging ____ x $70 + _____ (tax) = _____

Tax: PA residents, add $3.60 per book;
Philadelphia residents, add $4.20 per book
Book price includes shipping & handling

Grand Total | **$**

Payment (non-refundable):

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Mail form to: Gregor Lersch Events, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495. Orders will be filled via UPS beginning December 1.

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from March 2–9, 2003. If you would like to help, check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

Exhibitor Aides: Help exhibitors transport plants from D-Hall to freight elevator and to entry area. Entry level job.

Runner: Carry cards for corrections to and from typing table. Entry level job.

Recorder: Log information on plant entries. Attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure are required.

Clerk: Accompany horticulture or design judging teams; record judges' decisions and place award ribbons.

Infonet: Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or staff an information booth.

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2002 CITY GARDENS CONTEST INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

Below are the winners in the five individual categories of the 2002 PHS City Gardens Contest.

First Place Winners

Iris Brown
Sophia Campbell
Maria Carmichael
Phyllis Donahue
Victoria H. Fox
Ivey Galitan
Leo Gealt
Jeanne Goldberg
JoAnn Hardy
Joy Kerschner
Lawrence King
Diane Kunze/John Neugebauer
Laura Lanza
Toney Lucas
Alison McDowell
Samantha Mickey
Bill & Heather Mooney
Alex Myers
John Rudolph
Domenico Scicchitano
Barbara Truman

Second Place Winners

Mr. & Mrs. David Adler
Marcy Amarnek
Deborah Brooks
Sheila Buckley
Fred & Nancy Clemens
Liz Donaghy
Joseph Dorman
Howard & Fred Edelstein
Carina Flaherty
Verne Gabin
Ivey Galitan
Charlie Heiser
Christine Houston
Nell Johnson
Deborah Kaplan
John Lindsay
Lynne Luttrell
Ernest Meyer
Mark Nolte
Yuen Ho-Lin Ng
Ivan Rosa
Joyce Paul
Richard Rutherford
Eva Sanders
Michael Subick

Third Place Winners

Linda Battleman
Lenora Berson
Alfred Bilstein
Emily Byrd-Reeves
John Caniz
Francisca M. Dales
Jack DeWaele
Ivey Galitan
Elvira Gibson
Lillie Gorham
Kim Hanley
Craig Heim/Jean Miller
Edna Jones
Sidney Kanefsky
Amy L. Kitzen
Herb Levine
Olga McGarity
Kate Maus/Steven Wren
Edward & Mable Parker
J. D. Paternoster
Les & Mildred Sharpless
Joan Smalarz
Ann Stanley
Lu Szumsky
Vashti Thomas
Anna Maria Vona

Honorable Mention

Carl Andresen
Marsha Bailey/David Hanly
Gladys Barth
Stephanie & David Costello
Marie Ferraro
Lise Funderburg
Donna Hoult
Zelma Gorham
Maria Louisa Marciano
Sharon Marzocco
Denise McGiboney
Alan McHale
Joan McPeak
Steven Nawalany
George E. Price
Alfred Rizzio
Tom Schoonmaker
Ellen Siegel
George & Ann Spaeth
James Stanley
Mark & Ruth Valentine
Joe Wesolowski
Jackie Williams

Ann Reed

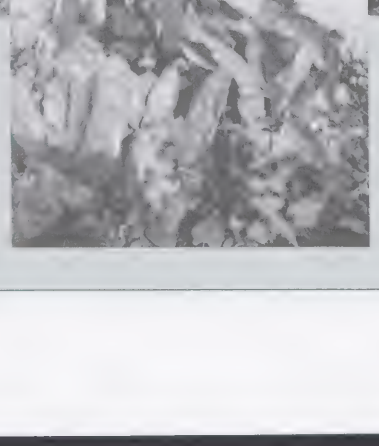
Suzanne Wheeling

Top: Alison McDowell

Far right: John Rudolph's garden

Right: Victoria Fox's garden

2002 SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS



Above: Plantings along Baltimore Pike in Marple Township

Left: Berks County Demonstration Garden

Berks County Master Gardeners' Demonstration Garden, Leesport, PA
Berman Museum of Art, Collegeville, PA
Brigantine Garden Club, Brigantine, NJ
A Child's Garden, North Wales, PA
Cynwyd Station
East Marlborough Township Office Building, Kennett Square, PA
Gateway Shopping Center, Wayne, PA
Gwynedd Square Center, Lansdale, PA
Hatfield Electric Plant Park, Hatfield, PA
Hereford Lighthouse & Gardens, North Wildwood, NJ
Main Line Auto Wash, Strafford, PA
Marple Beautification Association, Broomall, PA
Narberth War Memorial, Narberth, PA
Radnor Hotel Formal Gardens, St. Davids, PA
"Old" Roberts School, Radnor, PA
Sesame Place Adventure Park, Langhorne, PA
St. Alban's Circle, Newtown Square, PA
St. John Bosco Church, Hatboro, PA
Tatem Garden, Haddonfield, NJ
Traffic Island at Old Huntingdon Pike & Cedar Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA
Traffic Island at Yorklyn Road & Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, DE
Wayne Train Station, Wayne, PA
Wissahickon Valley Public Library, Blue Bell, PA

2002 CITY GARDENS CONTEST COMMUNITY WINNERS

Below are the winners in the community gardening categories of the 2002 PHS City Gardens Contest. Congratulations to everyone who entered!

Community Children's Gardens

1st Place
El Batey, Iris Brown & Kids

2nd Place
5537 Baltimore Avenue, Tracey Richards & Kids

3rd Place
Raices, Iris Brown & Kids

Honorable Mention
57th & Beaumont Streets, Chuck Lafferty & Kids

School Gardens

1st Place
Vare Charter School, Bonnie G. Levine Teaching Garden, Larry Stier & Kids

2nd Place
Grumblethorpe Education Program, Brandi Levine & Kids

3rd Place
Hackett Elementary School, Howard Goldstein & Kids

Honorable Mention
S. A. Douglas High School, Gladys Bukowski & Kids
Vare Middle School, Sam Williams & Kids

Community Combination Vegetable/ Flower Gardens

1st Place
The Spring Gardens, Stephan J. White & Neighbors
Ella Francis Garden, James Stanley & Neighbors
55th & Baltimore Avenue, Marion Bush & Neighbors
710 S. 19th Street, Bob Thoden & Neighbors

2nd Place
Venango Street Community Vegetable Garden, Harold Smith & Neighbors
Las Parcelas, Iris Brown & Neighbors
Bel Arbor Community Garden, Joan Sage & Neighbors
1915-19 N. 5th Street, Eva Negron & Neighbors
South Street Community Garden, Allison Weiss & Neighbors
Hamilton Ridge Garden, Amy R. Hooper/Sarah McEneaney & Neighbors
Fitzwater 2000 Community Garden, Stephen Maciejewski & Neighbors
Peach Street Community Garden, Lillie Singleton & Neighbors

3rd Place
Awbury Community Garden, Mr. & Mrs. Delmer Gill & Neighbors
Aspen Farms, Hayward Ford & Neighbors
Belgrade Community Garden, Ed Elliss & Neighbors
Broad & South Street Community Arts Garden, Allison Weiss & Neighbors
5342 W. Berks Street, Jaqueline Carthon & Neighbors
30th & Harper Streets, John Gallagher & Neighbors

Honorable Mention
Schuylkill River Park Community Garden, Maggie Dugan & Neighbors
Glenwood Green Acres, James Taylor & Neighbors
Summer/Winter Community Garden, Ed Hermance & Neighbors
1622-26 West Page Street, Ellouise Newkirk & Neighbors
15th & Butler Streets, Minnie Radcliffe & Neighbors

Community Vegetable Gardens

1st Place
28th & Cambria Streets, Adrienne Izzard & Neighbors
Orianna Hill Park, Steve Preiss & Neighbors

2nd Place
1204-13 S. 26th Street, Cynthia Anderson & Neighbors
Seedy Acres, Sally McCabe & Neighbors

3rd Place
1933-1943 N. 31st Street, Maron Faison & Neighbors
Seedy Acres, Sue White/Peter Smith & Neighbors

Honorable Mention
Hancock & Thompson Streets, Marita Fitzpatrick & Neighbors
Southwark Queen Village, Lori Kushner & Neighbors

Community Flower Gardens

1st Place
1013 Green Street, Lu Szumsky & Neighbors
1150 S. 13th Street, Terry Bremer & Neighbors
Demonstration Garden at the Horticulture Center, Peggy Garrett & Neighbors
Stillman & Parrish Streets, Jane Gourley & Neighbors

2nd Place
St. Alban's Garden Club, Lisa Parsley/Jim Burk & Neighbors
100 Lombard Street, John Rudolph & Neighbors
2600 E. Dauphin Street, Mary Thomas/Regina Clark & Neighbors

3rd Place
2165-67 N. 8th Street, Margarita Albandoz & Neighbors
27th Street & Montgomery Avenue, Goldie Bowden & Neighbors

Honorable Mention
7101 Stenton Avenue, Rella & Curtis Lewis & Neighbors
Jardin De Paz, Iris Brown & Neighbors
St. Simon's Church, Golde A. Fitzpatrick & Neighbors

First Year Community Gardens

1st Place
1218-20 S. 17th Street , Nathan Chatmon & Neighbors (EUGENE E. SMITH MEMORIAL AWARD)

2nd Place
1932-1938 N. Marshall Street, Robert Jacobs & Neighbors
Friendship Garden of Dickinson Street, Geraldine Johnson & Neighbors

3rd Place
Friends Community Garden, Saro Rodriquez & Neighbors
Sloan Street Community Garden, Carolyn Smith & Neighbors
Outley House, Leslie Brown & Neighbors

Philadelphia Green Garden Blocks

1st Place
1500 Block of E. Berks Street, Paula Hudy & Neighbors

2nd Place
2000 Block of Rodman Street, Julie Hirsch-Waxman & Neighbors
2100 Block of Wharton Street, Theressa McCormick & Neighbors

3rd Place
1900 Block of S. Chadwick Street, Anna Maria Vona & Neighbors

The Greenest Block in Town

1st Place
3500 Block of N. 24th Street, Mr. & Mrs. Obediah J. Foster & Neighbors

2nd Place
2100 Block of Saint James Place, Heather & Michael Ascher & Neighbors

3rd Place
5000 Block of Walton Avenue, Rosalind Thomas & Neighbors
800 Block of S. 48th Street, J. Voelker & Neighbors

Honorable Mention
2300 Block of Saint Alban's Place, Lisa Parsley/Jim Burk & Neighbors
3700 Block N. 15th Street, Minnie Radcliffe & Neighbors

Philadelphia Green Parks Revitalization Project

1st Place
Friends of Vernon Park, John Sgrillo & Neighbors
Friends of Mario Lanza Park, Gail Chapman & Neighbors

2nd Place
Friends of Gorgas Park, Leslie Schuster & Neighbors
Friends of Konrad Square, Ed Woods & Neighbors

3rd Place
Norris Square Park, Julie Feliciano & Neighbors
Cianfrani Park, Dennis McGlade & Neighbors

Honorable Mention
Jefferson Square Park, Paulina DeMarco-Davis & Neighbors
Friends of Wissinoming Park, Pete Tweed & Neighbors
Friends of Howell Park, Toni Kippen & Neighbors
Campbell Square Park, Susan Ongirski & Neighbors

Ann Reed

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES

IN THE GARDEN

EVERGREEN AUTUMN PERFORMERS

Saturday, November 2, 1–3 pm
Hedgleigh Spring, Swarthmore, PA

As the foliage colors of autumn run their course, evergreens emerge as dominant landscape features. Apart from their crisp, clean foliage, many put on their greatest performance of the year with colorful fruit or flowers, and these welcome displays are long lasting. Join **Charles Cresson** and learn about the new hardy camellia hybrids in full bloom, along with hollies and various companion plants that broaden the display in garden settings at Hedgleigh Spring.

Charles Cresson is a garden designer, award-winning author, nationally known lecturer and avid gardener. He has worked for the Royal Horticultural Society, W. Atlee Burpee & Co., Winterthur and Chanticleer. Fee: Members $20; non-members $25.

WORKSHOPS

FEARLESS FLORAL DESIGN

Thursday, November 7, 6–8pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Learn what makes a good flower arrangement better under the expert guidance of **Melinda Moritz** and **Sally Humphreys**. Traditional and modern "mass arrangements" will be demonstrated, and you will have the opportunity to create one of your own. The cost includes the many flowers used in mass arrangements and containers; all you need to bring are your favorite clippers.

Melinda Moritz and Sally Humphreys are accomplished flower arrangers and experienced instructors, and both volunteer at PHS. Melinda is vice-chair of the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee, as well as a member of the Flower Show Executive and Membership Committees. Sally also serves on the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee and is advisor-at-large for the arrangement classes. Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.

WREATHMAKING STYER'S STYLE

Saturday, December 7, 1–3 pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

In this workshop you will create a very special holiday wreath. Styer's staff members **Cindi Kistler** and **Theresa Rowan** will guide you through the basics of wreathmaking, and then you'll design your own 14- to 16-inch, all-natural wreath. Choose from a variety of fresh greens, including western and blue Atlas cedar, winterberry holly, seeded eucalyptus, and pepperberries. All materials will be provided. Please bring pruners and gloves and dress for the weather. Fee: $45 members; $50 non-members.

CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Part I, Thursday, January 16, 1–3 pm
(Snow/cold date: Thursday, January 23)
Part II, Wednesday, March 26, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden is its own miniature world with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space that is small enough to fit on your porch or patio. In this two-part class, we will create a trough and then plant it to take home. In the January session, you will create the trough using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form under the guidance of rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**. The trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In March, you will plant sun-loving miniature perennial and woody plants that thrive in the trough's loose, well-drained soil. (*Note*: In the event of extremely cold weather, the workshop will be rescheduled to January 23 because the trough mixture will not set properly.) Limit: 15. Fee: $110 members; $120 non-members.

EVENING LECTURES

Note: The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 for evening lectures, which will be followed by light refreshments and wine.

OLD CITIES, GREEN CITIES FREE

Tuesday,
November 19, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

We continue our celebration of PHS's 175th anniversary with a program devoted to the evolution and contribution of the Society's urban greening program, Philadelphia Green. PHS executive vice president **J. Blaine Bonham, Jr.** will provide the historical perspective and framework, and **Lily Yeh**, founding director of the Village of Arts and Humanties in North Philadelphia, will show how the Village's partnership with Philadelphia Green has launched a renaissance for its surrounding community.

As founding director of the Village of Art and Humanities, Lily Yeh has become well known, respected and loved as a dynamic figure in creating an oasis of culture and gardening in one of Philadelphia's more challenging neighborhoods. She describes the wounds of urban decay she found when she arrived in North Philadelphia as "opportunities to create art and beauty."

J. Blaine Bonham, Jr. joined PHS in 1974 as an education coordinator to develop an outreach program and became the director of Philadelphia Green in 1978, and executive vice president of PHS in 1998. Under his leadership, Philadelphia Green has moved to the forefront of urban greening efforts in the nation, serving as a model for other cities. He is the author of numerous articles and co-author of the book, *Old Cities/Green Cities: Communities Transform Unmanaged Land*. Free. Reservations required.

THE MATURING OF A GARDEN

Tuesday, December 3, 7:30 pm
Lang Performing Arts Center Cinema
Scott Arboretum, Swarthmore, PA

PHS, the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and The Garden Conservancy are pleased to welcome **Frank Cabot**, creator of the extraordinary gardens at Stonecrop, in Cold Spring, New York, and Les Quatre Vents, in Quebec. Join Frank for a look at five of the 32 elements within Les Quatre Vents, developed over a period of 15 years.

Frank Cabot has served as chairman of the Friends of Horticulture at Wave Hill, as well as the New York Botanical Garden. In 1989, he founded the Garden Conservancy, which is devoted to the preservation of exceptional private gardens in North America, and serves as its chairman. His horticultural interests have been focused primarily on perennials, including alpine and woodland plants and, in recent years, on the design and the making of gardens. In 1991, Cabot's garden in Cold Spring opened to the public as Stonecrop Gardens. (See "Pepperpot" on page 2 for more information.)

The lecture will be followed by a wine and cheese reception. Copies of Cabot's book, *The Greater Perfection*, may be purchased and signed in advance at a discounted cost of $70. Copies will also be available for signing at the reception. Free to members of PHS, the Scott Arboretum and The Garden Conservancy; non-members $5.

THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW: PAST TO PRESENT FREE

Wednesday,
December 11, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

The final offering in our free lecture series celebrating the first 175 years of PHS will highlight one of our best known and best loved events: the Philadelphia Flower Show. **Ed Lindemann** will outline the historical context of the Show and treat us to a personal perspective, complete with war stories, on his own 24 years as designer and director of the world's premiere indoor flower show.

Ed Lindemann joined the staff of PHS in 1972 as a horticulturist and has designed the Flower Show since 1980. As designer of the Show, he is responsible for developing an annual theme, creating and coordinating a floor plan for more than 100 landscape, floral, artistic and educational displays, as well as 2,500 individual amateur plant entries. As the Show's director, he orchestrates the duties of nearly 3,500 volunteers and oversees thousands of plumbers, carpenters and electricians who set the stage each year. Free. Reservations required.

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PANEL DISCUSSION

ALL YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT HOW TO ENTER YOUR PLANTS IN THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Thursday, January 9, 10 am–12 noon
(Snow date: Wednesday, January 15)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

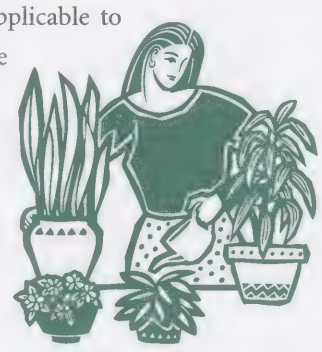
Yes you can, and should, enter the Philadelphia Flower Show! This program is designed for the novice to remove any trace of mystery about how to enter. We have assembled a **distinguished panel of seasoned, ribbon-winning Flower Show exhibitors** to guide you step by step through the exciting process of entering your favorite plants in the Horticulture Classes, from filling out the pre-registration forms to final grooming of your plant at the Show. Topics will include a review of the horticultural classes, pot selection, passers and stagers and what they do, and what judges look for in a prize-winning plant. Limit 25. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

DEMONSTRATION

SAFE PEST MANAGEMENT INDOORS (AND OUT)

Tuesday, January 14, 10 am – 12 noon
(Snow date: Wednesday, January 22)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

We all get bugs on our plants from time to time. In this program, Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Jessica Story** will show you how to scout for and identify common indoor plant pests and diseases, and she'll explain the safest treatments for indoor use. Most of the information provided is applicable to outdoor plants too. Feel free to bring a well-wrapped sample of your indoor plant pest(s) for identification. Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.



WALK

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Tuesday, January 21, 10 am–12 noon
(Snow date: Tuesday, January 28)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss winter interest in the garden, particularly with reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter form, including a woodland path, as well as the winter scenery around Liddon Pennock's estate. Ted will talk about specific plants in the garden, along with other choices we will not see. Limit 25. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

HOW TO GROW PLANTS WITHOUT NATURAL LIGHT

Wednesday, January 29, 12 noon–1 pm
PHS Auditorium

Providing adequate light for lush plant growth, especially during the winter months, is one of the greatest challenges facing urban dwellers who love houseplants. But virtually every kind and variety of plant may be grown without ever being exposed to the sun or daylight, and the darkest corner of an apartment or home may be turned into a colorful, opulent garden display with the proper indoor lighting techniques. **Bernie Wiener**, founder of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Hobby Greenhouse Association, who has been growing plants under artificial lights for many years, will show you how. Fee: $5.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Evergreen Autumn Performers	11/2	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Fearless Floral Design	11/7	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Wreathmaking Styer's Style	12/7	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Create and Plant a Trough Garden	1/16	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Old Cities, Green Cities	11/19	Free	_____	_____
☐ The Maturing of a Garden	12/3	Fee: Free/$5	_____	_____
☐ The Flower Show: Past to Present	12/13	Free	_____	_____
☐ How to Enter Plants in the Flower Show	1/9	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Safe Pest Management	1/14	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/21	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Grow Plants Without Natural Light	1/29	Fee: $5	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

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Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events. Please note: If you don't receive confirmation, please call (215) 988-8869 to make sure you are registered before arriving at an event.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call (215) 988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW ARTISTIC WORKSHOPS

You are invited to attend a series of workshops in preparation for the 2003 Philadelphia Flower Show, "Festival de las Flores." Workshops, under the direction of Donna Edwards and Jo Kane, will be held in Penllyn, PA, at the Lower Gwynedd Township Park Building in Penllyn Woods. (Directions will be sent to exhibitors.)

Exhibitors are encouraged to try ideas and consult with their advisors. You can fit backgrounds into the niches and try a variety of colored lighting. Short lectures will be given. Please call Hope Fox Coates, at (215) 643-1071, for directions and a schedule of topics.

All workshops are from 10 am to 12 noon; speakers will give a short talk at 10:30.

Workshop Dates:

Wednesday, January 22
Wednesday, January 29
Wednesday, February 5
Saturday, February 8
Wednesday, February 12
Saturday, February 15
Wednesday, February 19

These workshops are designed to allow you to try your creative ideas and fine-tune your exhibit. We will have actual niches as used in the Show, light bars, and colored bulbs so that you can try your backgrounds, etc. Class Advisors and members of the Passing Committee will be there to share their expertise and help you work out mechanics so that installation will go smoothly on the day of entry.

These sessions are very informal. Come when you can and leave when you must. You are encouraged to bring a friend who is new to the Show. We all learn from each other, and there is plenty of room.

MEMBERS' SALE AT SMITH & HAWKEN

Smith & Hawken will offer a 20% discount to PHS members for one day only on Sunday, November 10, during regular business hours. The Bryn Mawr and King of Prussia stores will also offer refreshments, and members who patronize Smith & Hawken stores outside the region will also receive shopping discounts. To qualify, please present your PHS membership card before the sale is rung up on the cash register. Happy shopping, and many thanks to Smith & Hawken for this generous opportunity.

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2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Festival de las Flores

This year's Philadelphia Flower Show will heat up the Pennsylvania Convention Center with an exciting celebration of Latin American culture, *Festival de las Flores*. The Show runs from March 2–9, 2003.

Show visitors will enter through a gateway festooned with colorful masks and figures, inspired by the *Fiesta Santiago de Apostal*, held each July in the village of Loiza, Puerto Rico. Loiza (pronounced "Louisa") is the hometown of Iris Brown, a member of the advisory board of Philadelphia Green, the Society's urban greening program, and a former PHS Council member.

Ed Lindemann, Flower Show designer and director, explains that Loiza offered abundant inspiration for this year's theme. "I met with Iris and told her I wanted the Show to reflect the multicultural history of Puerto Rico, with an emphasis on festivals and music. Her grin grew wider as she listened, and then she told me about Loiza, which is nicknamed the 'Village of Festivals'."

For the first Central Feature exhibit, **Robertson's of Chestnut Hill** will create a replica of Loiza's town square. The coastal village was settled by freed African slaves, who had been brought to Puerto Rico by Spanish colonists. Featuring a central pool and fountain, houses and shops, the exhibit will also include the village church, with its richly decorated interior. Loiza's church is the oldest continually operated church in Puerto Rico.

Behind the church, dancers will perform the traditional island dance, the bamba, periodically throughout the day. Women from ***Groupo Motivo***, a neighborhood organization from Iris Brown's Norris Square community in North Philadelphia, will create authentic costumes for the dancers. Professional jazz musician William Cepeda—who also grew up in Loiza—will perform on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday, March 5, 6, and 7.

"Our community considers it a privilege to take part in the Flower Show," says Iris. "There is a lot of excitement, both here and in Loiza." The Norris Square community has been involved with PHS for more than 20 years through the Philadelphia Green program.

The second Central Feature exhibit has a Mexican theme, the *Old Tijuana Cantina*, created by **Samia Rose Topiary** of Encinitas, California, whose owner, Pat Hammer, is known locally for her topiary work at Longwood Gardens.

PHS staff members and floral designer **Jamie Rothstein**, who collaborated on last year's "Peace Garden," will team up once again to create *Sueños Florecientes de la Noche*, or "Flowering Dreams of the Night," for the final Central Feature display. This fantasy garden will include a waterfall, a rustic foot-bridge, and a 6-foot-wide lily pad sporting table and chairs set for dinner.

New major exhibitors this year include **Flowers by Priscilla**, from Kennett Square, and the **Scenic Group**, from Concordville, Pennsylvania. Also, this year's "Garden Gallery" will showcase works by members of the **Philadelphia Society of Botanical Illustrators**—their first display on the main Show floor.

PHS will again mount special displays highlighting its Philadelphia Green and Gold Medal Plant Award programs. A favorite of many visitors, the "Horticourt" will feature thousands of individual horticultural and artistic entries. As always, visitors can enjoy a wide variety of activities, including free lectures, workshops and demonstrations; shopping in the Marketplace; the Border's Garden Book Fair; Gardener's Studios in the Main Exhibition Hall; cooking demonstrations; and the elegant Afternoon Garden Tea.

Revenues generated by the Philadelphia Flower Show, including contributions from the Show's presenting sponsor, PNC Financial Services Group, Inc., help support PHS programs, including Philadelphia Green.

– Jane Carroll

SAVE THIS DATE

2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW PRESENTS

Maesterflorist Gregor Lersch

World renowned German Floral Designer, Lecturer and Author

Wednesday, March 5, 2003

- Floral Demonstration
- Cocktail Reception and Book Signing

(see page 5 for details and registration)

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Philadelphia Flower Show

March 2–9, 2003

Pennsylvania Convention Center

12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia

www.theflowershow.com

Ticket Information
PHS members' tickets will be mailed at the end of January.

General Admission
Adults: $24 on Opening Sunday (March 2), $22 weekends and $20 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $10 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $18
Group tickets (20 or more people): $17.50
Advance tickets can be purchased at SEPTA outlets, PNC banks, participating florists and nurseries, and online at *www.theflowershow.com*

For more information, please visit the website or call (215) 988-8899.

Bird of Paradise flower
(Strelitzia reginae)

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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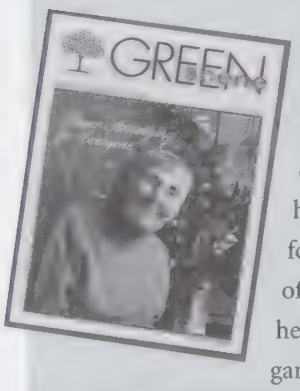
PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Farewell to Joanna Reed,
wonderful gardener and friend to many

The last time I saw Joanna Reed was in August. I had been in Berks County and, on a whim, I stopped at Longview Farm. How glad I am I made that visit. Joanna was in her wonderful living room, overlooking her beautiful garden and, as always, she was busy—this time not gardening, but stitching. I hadn't seen Joanna for a few months and hadn't realized she had not been able to garden most of the summer because of circulatory problems. For most of us, this would have been disaster, and I know I would have been moaning and groaning loudly about it. For Joanna, she accepted the change as philosophically as I have seen her accept other changes in her life. Instead of bemoaning her inability to do what she loved best, she was celebrating the time she had gained to work on an amazing needlepoint chair cover she had put away because she was too busy digging and planting.



As you would expect, Joanna designed the chair cover herself, and if you looked at it for a while you could find many of the blooms she enjoyed in her garden. As Joanna loved her garden, we loved her. Some of us were local fellow gardeners, always intrigued by her energy and her deep knowledge of plants and their habits. Others were visitors from afar, who came seeking Joanna's wisdom and an association with this extraordinary gardener, whom they had read about in countless stories in books and magazines.

Another whole army of followers developed through the Philadelphia Flower Show in the days when Joanna used to serve lunch for our judges. It was no mean feat to serve lunch for 60 to 70 people per day at the Civic Center, in a location where there was nothing more than a hot plate to keep those special meatballs warm. Undaunted, Joanna did it five days running year after year, making it possible for us to entertain those very special volunteers in a warm, cozy setting with Joanna's tasty treats.

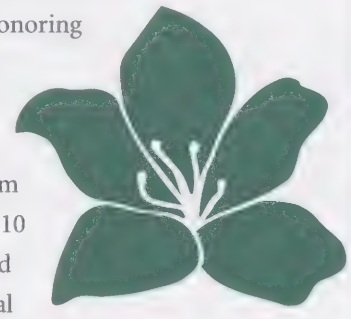
Joanna's generosity in opening her garden for members, teaching classes on everything from herbs to garden cleanup, writing for *Green Scene*, and serving judges' lunches are just a few of the things she did to enrich our lives. We will miss her greatly, but are grateful to her for more than 50 years of close association with PHS.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS President

CONSIDER A SPECIAL GIFT TO PHS

Gifts to PHS are perfect at any time of the year. A donation in honor of a friend or family member, for a special occasion or tribute, makes a wonderful gift that will be remembered for years to come. Please consider honoring someone with a gift to the Azalea Garden, located directly behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Over the past 10 years, PHS has restored the garden to its original beauty, but several years of drought have resulted in the loss of many plants. Rose Greeley azaleas and hollies are especially needed.



The following replacement plants are still needed:

9 Rose Greeley Azaleas @ $80 per plant
3 American Hollies @ $900 per plant
2 Meserve Hollies @ $190 per plant
(Cost includes procurement and planting.)

All donations will be acknowledged with a special gift card. For more information or to make a contribution, please contact Suzanne Betts at (215) 988-8819 or *sbetts@pennhort.org*

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW PREVIEW DINNER

Saturday, March 1, 2003

The annual Saturday evening kick-off to the Flower Show will welcome more than 3,000 guests to the Pennsylvania Convention Center on March 1. Sponsored by Subaru of America, this event is an opportunity for guests in gowns and black ties to enjoy the Show at a leisurely pace before sitting down to an elegant dinner. This year's theme, *Festival de las Flores*, "will be fun and festive," dinner chair Jood Thompson says. "Attending the dinner is a wonderful way to help PHS raise much-needed revenues for our all of our programs, including Philadelphia Green."

Prices are $300 for subscribers, $500 for patrons and $600 for benefactors. Benefactors enjoy an early entrance to the Show at 5:00 p.m. Subscribers aged 35 and under can attend the cocktail reception for $100 per person.

If you wish to receive an invitation, please contact Ellen Wheeler at (215) 988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*

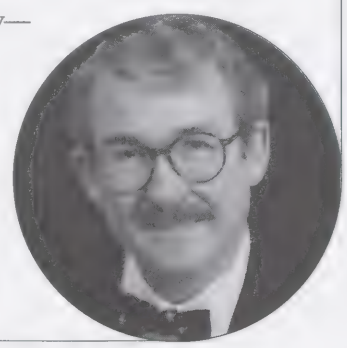
IN THE SPOTLIGHT: JIM STRAW

Jim Straw is a familiar face around the offices of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. He serves on several committees, including PHS Council, the Executive Committee, the Nominating Committee, and the Development Committee. He's also completing a two-year term as chair of the Flower Show Executive Committee.

"The 2003 Show will be my swan song," he says. But don't expect him to stay away from the Flower Show after that. He first got involved in the Show through his wife, Keith, an avid gardener, who serves on the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee. An architect, Jim was enlisted by her garden club, "The Gardeners," to do some architectural work for their Flower Show exhibits. Before he knew it, he was part of the "Gardeners' Partners," a group of spouses of club members who help set up displays and do some of the grunt work. "I love being involved in the Flower Show and having the chance to interact with the exhibitors, from big to small," says Jim.

Jim's architectural talents were also tapped in 1996, when the Flower Show made the move from the Civic Center to the Pennsylvania Convention Center. He lent his services as a design professional to help meet the daunting challenge of lighting the new space, with its 30-foot ceilings. "I was greatly honored when Jane Pepper asked me to help out with the transition that year," he recalls. "There were a few bumps during our maiden voyage, but we've been closing in on perfection ever since."

Jim is equally enthusiastic about his role as a member of the PHS Council and takes his committee work very seriously. As a Philadelphia resident, he also feels very strongly about the Society's urban greening efforts through Philadelphia Green. "This is an exemplary organization," Jim declares. "So it's essential to help it grow in ways that continue to serve the community—particularly now that resources are becoming more scarce."



What does he like best about PHS? "The people," he answers, without missing a beat. "I've found people who love gardening, plants and the earth to be quite remarkable. That shared love for growing things creates a strong but intangible bond that's hard to find anywhere else."

– Jane Carroll

ERNESTA BALLARD RECEIVES PHS CENTENARY MEDAL

At its annual meeting in November, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society officially celebrated its 175th anniversary—capping off a year of commemorative events—and awarded its Centenary Medal to its influential former president, Ernesta D. Ballard.

Praised as "a woman of amazing talents, extraordinary dedication and enormous commitment," Ballard served as executive secretary, director and president of PHS from 1963 to 1980. "She changed the Society from a quiet, low-profile organization that struggled financially to one that pulsed with excitement and opportunities," notes current PHS president Jane Pepper.

Ballard is credited with laying the foundations for some of the Society's most important accomplishments. She seized the reins of the Philadelphia Flower Show from its former producers, Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc., a not-for-profit association of nurserymen and growers. In 1964, when the old Commercial Museum was about to be torn down and replaced by the Philadelphia Civic Center, PFS Inc. officials decided not to hold a flower show during the two years of construction.

Jim Roese

Left to right: Ed Lindemann, Flower Show designer and director; Ernesta Ballard, former PHS president; Blaine Bonham, PHS executive vice president; and Jane Pepper, PHS president

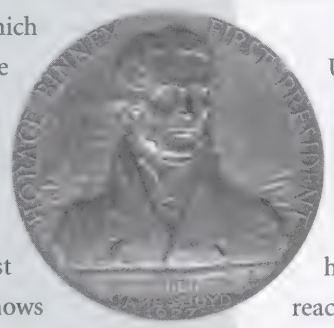
Concerned about losing exhibitors, Ballard ran a show in the 23rd Street Armory in 1965 and another, the next year, in the lower level of the Philadelphia Civic Center. In 1966, PHS became the official producer of the Philadelphia Flower Show, now known as the largest indoor flower show in the world.

Using proceeds from the Flower Show, Ballard also established the Society's community greening program, Philadelphia Green. At first a modest operation with two staff members, a truck, and lots of flyers and enthusiasm, Philadelphia Green has grown into the nation's most ambitious and far-reaching urban greening program. During her tenure, Ballard also helped launch *Green Scene*, PHS's full-color gardening and horticultural magazine.

Since leaving PHS, Ballard has served on numerous boards, including that of Bartram's Garden and other historic sites. A long-time commissioner of Philadelphia's Fairmount Park, she was the driving force behind the restoration of two beloved Center City landmarks: the Logan Square fountain and the Philadelphia Water Works.

The PHS Centenary Medal (below) is awarded only on special occasions or to individuals singled out by the Society for special honors. Only five other Centenary Medals have been awarded.

The first Centenary Medal—made of solid gold—was minted in 1927 by the Medallic Art Company in New York City, which also produces commemorative medals for the Pulitzer Prize, the Peabody Awards, and other prestigious honors. On one side of the medal is a bust of Horace Binney, the Society's first president, and the reverse side shows a depiction of Bartram's Garden in Philadelphia, America's first botanical garden.



The last Centenary Medal was produced for PHS in 1942. For Ernesta Ballard's award, PHS librarian Jane Alling tracked down the Medallic Art Company to its new location in Dayton, Nevada, and the company produced a new medal from dies housed in its archives.

DONATED PLANTS HELP BEAUTIFY TWO DOWNTOWN SITES

Located behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Azalea Garden is a favorite spot for countless city residents and visitors. The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has restored the garden and manages its long-term maintenance. But with so many people using the garden throughout the year, maintaining its beauty is an ongoing challenge.

On a recent fall day, the F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company donated its services to prune large trees in the garden, removing dead and decaying wood that might present a safety hazard. The company also installed special cables to support large limbs on magnolias and fringe trees in the garden. "So many of the trees and large shrubs in the Azalea Garden are reaching maturity now," says PHS project manager Marilyn Romenesko, who oversees the site. "As they die or become more fragile, they need special care or must be removed and replaced with new plants." Several Azalea Garden volunteers also gave an extra day's work, in addition to their regularly scheduled maintenance days, to plant pansies in the garden.

In addition, Moon Landscaping, based in Yardley, PA, donated new shrubs for the outdoor planters at PHS Headquarters at 20th & Arch Streets. The Society recently won a special prize from the nearby Logan Square Neighborhood Association for its general presence in the neighborhood, including the colorful seasonal planters.

"We're so grateful for this kind of direct assistance," Romenesko says. "It allows us to channel resources to other projects that keep our city landscapes looking their best."

John Gannon

Barlett arborists at work on large trees in the Azalea Garden

PHS RECEIVES GRANT FROM THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS

The Pew Charitable Trusts has pledged $900,000 to PHS in support of the Society's Green City Strategy, which promotes open space and greening as a critical part of revitalization and improvement efforts in Philadelphia. The Strategy has been adopted as part of the city's anti-blight campaign, the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative.

A significant portion of the Pew funds will support staff management of high-profile public landscapes and gateways in the city's downtown. Major sites include the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, the Azalea Garden along Kelly Drive, John F. Kennedy Boulevard, Penn's Landing and other areas along the Delaware River waterfront through Center City. The grant will also fund development of a comprehensive Center City Open Space Plan, which will lay out a long-term strategy for future improvements to downtown public landscapes.

The Pew Charitable Trusts support nonprofit activities in the areas of culture, education, the environment, health and human services, public policy and religion. Based in Philadelphia, the Trusts make strategic investments to help organizations and citizens develop practical solutions to difficult problems.

PHILADELPHIA GREEN EXPANDS VACANT LAND MANAGEMENT EFFORTS

Since the late 1990s, Philadelphia Green has worked to address the growing problem of urban land left vacant by decades of declining industrial activity and population loss. To "stabilize" land until a permanent use can be found, Philadelphia Green developed a "clean and green" approach that involves removing debris, planting grass, and installing perimeter fencing or trees to discourage trash dumping.

In the city's New Kensington neighborhood, for example, Philadelphia Green worked with the local community development corporation and residents to transform 50% of the neighborhood's 1,100 vacant lots into low-maintenance, attractive green spaces. In 2000, Philadelphia Green was hired by the Philadelphia Empowerment Zone, a federally funded revitalization project, to use the same approach on vacant land along American Street in another part of North Philadelphia.

While some lots will remain permanent open space, the Philadelphia Empowerment Zone's main goal is to create attractive sites for new development. "People don't want to invest in areas that are not clean and safe," says Catherine Califano, economic development director for the Philadelphia Empowerment Zone. She notes that 60 developers and realtors attended an annual breakfast and tour of the American Street Empowerment Zone last spring.

Based on its successful efforts in the American Street area—where 58 sites (13 acres of land) have been cleared—Philadelphia Green was chosen to direct similar work in two more Empowerment Zones: the West Philadelphia Empowerment Zone and the North Central Empowerment Zone.

Bob Grossmann, Philadelphia Green program manager, explains that the new initiative will rely heavily on community involvement and input. "As we did on American Street, we'll work with city services and private contractors to clear and seed some of the larger sites," he says. "But we plan to also work closely with community residents, involving them directly in the 'cleaning and greening' process."

Each of the community organizations will receive resources to employ a part-time organizer who will help identify sites and organize volunteers, and each Empowerment Zone will have its own steering committee. Planning is now underway, with most of the work to be completed in fall 2003.

In addition, Philadelphia Green has received additional support from the William Penn Foundation to continue its vacant land work in partnership with the city's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, an ambitious effort to eliminate blight and revitalize neighborhoods. New sites have been identified in three locations—Strawberry Mansion in North Philadelphia, near 8th & Berks Streets in North Philadelphia, and near 54th Street & Lancaster Avenue in West Philadelphia.

Maitreyi Roy, Philadelphia Green's associate director for community greening, hopes the new projects will build increased momentum for revitalization: "We're excited about these opportunities to demonstrate the positive impact that greening can have, not only on the appearance of neighborhoods, but also in creating a renewed sense of possibility." *– Jane Carroll*

PHILADELPHIA GREEN VACANT LOT MANUAL

PHS's Philadelphia Green program has compiled a **how-to manual** for reclaiming vacant lots in the city. ***Reclaiming Vacant Lots: A Philadelphia Green Guide*** outlines Philadelphia Green's basic "clean & green" approach to managing vacant land, including clearing debris, planting grass and trees and installing fences. The manual also provides information on settling ownership issues, developing a site plan, and outlining a long-term maintenance strategy. Supplies are limited, order today!

Order Form

Reclaiming Vacant Lots: A Philadelphia Green Guide # copies _____ @ $4.00/each = (total) ____

Name:_____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____

Please enclose a check payable to PHS. ***Note: Please do not send cash; please write "Reclaiming Vacant Lots" on your check or money order. Allow 3-4 weeks for delivery.***

Mail form to: PHS, Attn: Sonia Castro, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103

PHS News

TRAVEL WITH US

Great Gardens of Rome and Tuscany

April 28–May 10, 2003

Rory Stuart, an English landscape designer and author who lives in Rome, invites you to join fellow PHS members and guests to explore gardens in Tuscany and Rome. We'll visit great historic gardens that define Italian garden style, as well as private and public gardens created during the mid to late 20th century. Many of the owners of private gardens will open their villas to the group.

A garden tour to Tuscany and Rome is all about atmosphere, ambiance, and style—formal parterres, fountains and other water features, enchanting "borrowed views", and warm hospitality. World-famous art museums, medieval villages under the Tuscan sun, and fabulous food and wine promise a glorious trip for anyone interested in horticulture, art, history, photography, and Italian cuisine.

Hotel accommodations include four nights in Rome, four in Florence, and three in Lucca. There will be introductory tours of each city, as well as time to explore independently. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan, of JL Tours in Radnor, will accompany the group.

For more information or to request an itinerary, call Betsy Gullan at (215) 988-8778, Jean Lenehan at (610) 688-0307, or visit our website *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* Click on "Travel with Us."

C. Woods

Villa d'Este

2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW ARTISTIC WORKSHOPS

You are invited to attend a series of workshops in preparation for the 2003 Philadelphia Flower Show, *Festival de las Flores*. Workshops, under the direction of Donna Edwards and Jo Kane, will be held in Penllyn, PA, at the Lower Gwynedd Township Park Building in Penllyn Woods. (Directions will be sent to participants.)

These workshops are designed to allow you to try your creative ideas and fine-tune your exhibit. We will have actual niches as used in the Show, light bars, and colored bulbs so that you can try your backgrounds, etc. Class Advisors and members of the Passing Committee will be there to share their expertise and help you work out mechanics, so that installation will go smoothly on the day of entry. Please call Hope Fox Coates (215-643-1071) for directions and a schedule of topics.

These sessions are very informal, and you are encouraged to bring a friend. All workshops run from 10 am to 12 noon; speakers will give a short talk at 10:30.

Workshop Dates:

Wednesday, January 29
Wednesday, February 5
Saturday, February 8
Wednesday, February 12
Saturday, February 15
Wednesday, February 19

McLEAN LIBRARY COMPILING LIST OF SPEAKERS

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society maintains a list of individuals who lecture to groups on gardening and related topics. The McLean Library staff is currently updating this list and has created a questionnaire for potential speakers. If you would like to receive a questionnaire, please contact Josie Miller, (215) 988-8772, or email *jmiller@pennhort.org* **Deadline for returning questionnaires: February 15, 2003**

MEMBERSHIP TIPS FOR THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Watch Your Mailbox for Flower Show Tickets

PHS member ticket(s) will be mailed during the week of January 20. Please watch your mailbox for this important mailing, and then **store your tickets in a safe place** where you can find them for the 2003 Flower Show. **Unfortunately, we cannot replace lost or misplaced tickets.**

Household members and above receive ticket(s) that can be used for the Members' Preview, Saturday afternoon, March 1, noon–3:30 pm, or anytime during public hours, March 2–9. Student and associate single and dual tickets can be used anytime during public hours, March 2–9.

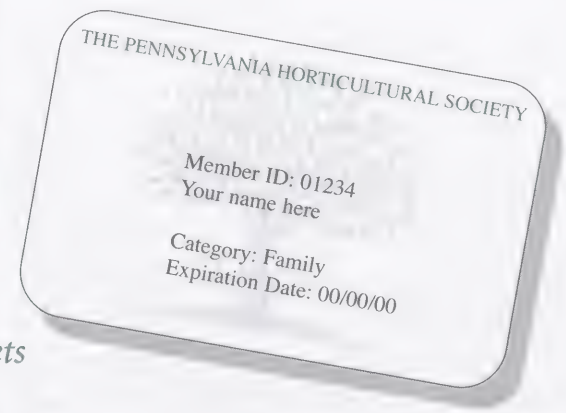
Renew Today

If your membership expires soon, we are asking that you renew your membership early, so we can guarantee the smooth and timely delivery of your ticket(s) for the 2003 Show. Thank you, early birds!

(Note: Renewing early will not affect your expiration date. If your expiration date is in February, for example, but you renew early, your new expiration date will still be February 2004.)

Upgrade your Membership for Flower Show Tickets

Consider upgrading your membership now to receive the type and number of tickets you want for the Show. *(Note: Upgrading your membership increases your benefits, but does not change your expiration date.)* To upgrade, simply call PHS Member Services at (215) 988-8778 or (215) 988-8832. You may also fax your request with credit card information. Fax: (215) 988-8810.



Note: If you do not receive your tickets by February 1, please contact Member Services as soon as possible. We cannot guarantee delivery of Show tickets for new, renewing, or upgrading membership requests made after February 8.

PHS Members' Lounge

The Members' Lounge, located on the Show level, is open to all members (with membership cards) from Sunday, March 2 through Sunday, March 9. This is a quiet spot where you can relax your weary feet while enjoying a complimentary cup of coffee or tea. The Lounge opens at 10am each day and closes at 4pm on Sundays and 7pm all other days.

Shopping Discounts

Members enjoy **discounts at the PHS Flower Show Shoppe**, located on the Show floor. Many vendors in the **Marketplace** also offer discounts to PHS members. The average discount is 10%.

For discounts, you **MUST present your current membership card** before the sale is rung on the cash register. A list of participating vendors will be available at the Show at both membership sales booths and in the Lounge. The list will also be posted on our website (under membership benefits) beginning February 1: *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*

SPECIAL EVENT AT THE 2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Wednesday, March 5, 2003

Maesterflorist Gregor Lersch
World renowned German Floral Designer, Lecturer and Author

Floral Demonstration, 10 am–1 pm
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Auditorium, 1st floor, 13th & Race Streets entrance
$35 per person (Does NOT INCLUDE Flower Show admission)

An Evening with Gregor Lersch
Reception and Book Signing, 5:30–7:30 pm
Pennsylvania Convention Center, Suite 103B
12th & Arch Streets, West entrance
$65 per person (INCLUDES Flower Show admission)

Reservations for Wednesday's events and sales of Gregor Lersch's book (*Principles of Flower Arranging*) are available online at the PHS Flower Show website: *www.theflowershow.com* For more information, please call (215) 988-8879.

Registration Form

Name_____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip_____

Phone (day) _____(eve) _____

Email_____

Event tickets	**Quantity**	**Total**
Floral Demonstration	____ x $35 =	_____
Reception and Book Signing	____ x $65 =	_____
Flower Show ticket *(if applicable)*	____ x $18 =	_____
	Shipping & Handling =	$5
	Ticket total:	_____

Book orders:

Principles of Flower Arranging ____ x $70 = _____ + _____ (tax) =_____

Tax: PA residents, add $3.60 per book;
Philadelphia residents, add $4.20 per book
Book price includes shipping

Grand Total | **$**

Payment (non-refundable):

☐ Check (payable to PA Horticultural Society)

☐ Credit card ☐ Visa or ☐ MasterCard

Card # _____

Expiration date: _____

Signature_____

Mail form to: Gregor Lersch Events, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495. Orders will be filled via UPS.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES

WORKSHOPS

CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Part I, Thursday, January 16, 1–3 pm
(Snow/cold date: Thursday, January 23)
Part II, Wednesday, March 26, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden is its own miniature world with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space small enough to fit on your porch or patio. In this two-part class, you will create a trough and then plant it to take home. In the January session, you will create the trough using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form under the guidance of rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**. The trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In March, you will plant sun-loving miniature perennial and woody plants that thrive in the trough's loose, well-drained soil. (*Note*: In the event of extremely cold weather, the first workshop will be rescheduled to January 23 because the trough mixture will not set properly.) Limit: 15. Fee: $110 members; $120 non-members.

CREATING A STANDARD

Wednesday, February 12, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ever wonder how to create a formal, tree-like form of some of your favorite bushy plants? **Julie Horoutunian**, who is responsible for creating the standards and topiaries grown at Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate techniques for training houseplants and annuals as topiary and standard forms. After demonstrations using a variety of plants including geraniums, fuchsias, lantana and ivy, participants will create their own standards to take home in a 4" clay pot. Please bring scissors or clippers, all other materials will be provided. Fee: $38 members; $40 non-members.

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will again co-sponsor two courses this winter and early spring: *Families of Flowering Plants*, and *Wildflowers in Fairmount Park*. These courses are free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **Space is Limited. To register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23.**

FAMILIES OF FLOWERING PLANTS

Tuesday, January 21 and five Mondays through February 24, 6:30 pm
(Please note the first class is Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday)
PHS Auditorium

The diversity in flowering plants is enormous; nearly 250,000 species have been named. Recognition of species can be a difficult task, even for the expert. However, species have been grouped into about 400 larger taxonomic units known as families. Families usually share leaf, flower, and fruit characteristics that allow for easy recognition. The ability to assign unknown plants to the correct family is a useful skill for anyone interested in plant identification and culture.

This course, taught by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, will survey several dozen plant families with important representatives in our forests and gardens. In addition to identifying common features, the course will look at representative members of each family based on their economic and ecological importance.

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science. Her specialty is botany and plant diseases.

WILDFLOWERS IN FAIRMOUNT PARK

Monday, March 31 – Monday, April 28, 6:30 pm.
There will be two field trips on Saturdays in April.
PHS Auditorium

Learn the wildflowers of Fairmount Park through a series of five lectures at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and two field trips in Fairmount Park, under the expert guidance of **Professor Alfred E. Schuyler**. The lectures will emphasize characteristics useful for identifying wildflowers and determining the groups to which they belong. In the field, we will identify as many wildflowers as time permits.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is associated with the Wagner Free Institute of Science, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Henry Foundation for Botanical Research.

DEMONSTRATION

SAFE PEST MANAGEMENT INDOORS (AND OUT)

Tuesday, January 14, 10 am–12 noon
(Snow date: Wednesday, January 22)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

We all get bugs on our plants from time to time. In this program, Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Jessica Story** will show you how to scout for and identify common indoor plant pests and diseases, and she'll explain the safest treatments for indoor use. Most of the information provided is applicable to outdoor plants too. Feel free to bring a well-wrapped sample of your indoor plant pest(s) for identification. Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

WALK

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Tuesday, January 21, 10 am–12 noon
(Snow date: Tuesday, January 28)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss winter interest in the garden, particularly with reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter form, including a woodland path, as well as the winter scenery around Liddon Pennock's estate. Ted will talk about specific plants in the garden, along with other choices we will not see. Limit 25. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

HOW TO GROW PLANTS WITHOUT NATURAL LIGHT

Wednesday, January 29, 12 noon–1 pm
PHS Auditorium

Providing adequate light for lush plant growth, especially during the winter months, is one of the greatest challenges facing urban dwellers who love houseplants. But virtually every kind and variety of plant may be grown without ever being exposed to the sun or daylight, and the darkest corner of an apartment or home may be turned into a colorful, opulent garden display with the proper indoor lighting techniques. **Bernie Wiener**, founder of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Hobby Greenhouse Association, who has been growing plants under artificial lights for many years, will show you how. Fee: $5.

PANEL DISCUSSION

ALL YOU EVER WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT HOW TO ENTER YOUR PLANTS IN THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Thursday, January 9, 10 am–12 noon
(Snow date: Wednesday, January 15)
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Yes you can, and should, enter the Flower Show! This program, designed for the novice, will remove any trace of mystery about how to enter. We have assembled a distinguished panel of Competitive Class committee members and seasoned, ribbon-winning exhibitors to guide you step by step through the exciting process of entering your favorite plants in the Horticulture Classes. From filling out the pre-registration forms to final grooming of your plant at the Show, topics will include a review of the horticultural classes, pot selection, passers and stagers and what they do, and what judges look for in a prize-winning plant. Limit 25. FREE.

FLOWER SHOW BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS

ROBERTSON'S AND NORRIS SQUARE

Wednesday, February 5, 9:30 am–3:30 pm
Philadelphia, PA

This promises to be an experience you will not forget: a day spent celebrating a Festival de las Flores and enjoying the Puerto Rican spirit that inspired the theme of the 2003 Philadelphia Flower Show. First we will take you to Chestnut Hill to Robertson's Florist for a behind-the-scenes tour of their opulent central exhibit for the upcoming Show, given by **Bruce Robertson** and his staff. Then we'll drive to the Norris Square neighborhood to experience the culture that inspired the horticulture. We will savor a delicious Puerto Rican lunch provided by Iris Brown of the Norris Square Neighborhood Project. Lunch will be followed by sneak peek at the work of the dressmakers creating costumes for dancers at the Show. Fee includes coach travel from the Horticultural Center in Fairmount Park, lunch and tours. Limit: 18. Fee: $55 members; $60 non-members.

STYER NURSERIES

Wednesday, February 19, 10 am–12:00 noon
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

J. Franklin Styer's exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show are always distinguished by their distinctive brand of creativity. **Michael Petrie**, their award-wining designer, will treat us to a sneak peek at Styer's 2003 Flower Show exhibit. This tour will focus on the process of designing a major exhibit. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

MEADOWBROOK FARM

Thursday, February 20, 10 am–12:00 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peek at many of the more unusual plants he is growing for major exhibitors at the 2002 Flower Show. This special behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook's greenhouses will also focus on the art of forcing plants for the Show, and you'll get to find out about Meadowbrook's own exhibit for this year's Show. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Create and Plant a Trough Garden	1/16	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Creating a Standard	2/12	Fee: $38/$40	_____	_____
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☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/21	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Grow Plants Without Natural Light	1/29	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ How to Enter Plants in the Flower Show	1/9	Free	_____	_____
☐ Robertson's and Norris Square	2/5	Fee: $55/$60	_____	_____
☐ Styer Nurseries	2/19	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Meadowbrook Farm	2/20	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events. Please note: If you don't receive confirmation, please call (215) 988-8869 to make sure you are registered before arriving at an event.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call (215) 988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

Netherlands Flower Bulb Information Center

ATTENTION FLOWER SHOW VOLUNTEERS

What should you do with your wallet, keys and personal items when you report for duty at the Flower Show? Now there's an easy answer: **The Philadelphia Flower Show "Fanni-Pak."** Made of sturdy nylon, the Fanni-Pak has adjustable straps and comes in three colors: red, hunter green and black. It costs only $5 including tax.

Pick up your Fanni-Pak before the Show at the merchandising office on the first floor of PHS Headquarters, 100 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia, until February 2, 2003. If you prefer to have it sent to you, there is an additional $5.00 shipping and handling fee for each pak. (The Fanni-Pak will also be available at the PHS Flower Show Shoppe during Show hours.) For more information, please contact Beth Beyer at (215) 988-1613 or *bbeyer@pennhort.org*

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VOLUNTEER AT THE 2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

There are still a few openings for volunteers at the 2003 Show, March 2–9, at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. If you would like to be part of the team, please contact Betty Greene by **January 10**, (215) 988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org* We will contact you with more information.

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2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Special Events and Tips for Visitors

During this year's Philadelphia Flower Show, *Festival de las Flores* ("Festival of the Flowers"), visitors can choose from a wide range of special events. All events are FREE with Show admission. For the most up-to-date schedule information, please call (215) 988-8899, check the website, *www.theflowershow.com* or pick up a free copy of the official **Schedule of Events** at the Show.

Plan ahead to make the most of your visit. You can catch up on the latest gardening trends and techniques at **lectures and demonstrations** given by experts on a range of topics. Lectures and demonstrations are held in rooms 201B & 201C on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall. Special thanks to our Lecture Series sponsor, *Fine Gardening* magazine. (And don't miss *Fine Gardening Day* on Saturday, March 8, room 201C.)

The **AIFD Bridal Day** (by the American Institute of Floral Design) returns this year with afternoon demonstrations of wedding flowers for the ceremony, reception, and bride on Sunday, March 9 in room 201B.

The **Gardener's Studio**, on the Main Show Floor, features local and national experts who will give interactive demonstrations daily in Hall B. The Gardener's Studio provides the opportunity to ask "on-the-spot" questions and get immediate, practical answers.

At the **All-Star Culinary Presentations**, you'll learn tips and expert kitchen techniques from an exciting lineup of local celebrity chefs, including Susanna Foo of Susanna Foo's and Jean-Marie Lacroix of Lacroix at The Rittenhouse. Demonstrations take place three times daily—at 12 pm, 1:30 pm and 3 pm. Demonstrations are held in room 204B on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall. Special thanks to host Chef Joseph E. Shilling, dean of Education, Art Institute of New York City and to the Art Institute of Philadelphia, School of Culinary Arts.

Rob Cardillo

Planning a trip to Philadelphia for the Show or have guests coming to town? For information on hotel packages, please call Accommodations Express at (800) 380-4683. Amtrak offers 10% discounts on fares to Philadelphia between February 26 and March 13, 2003. Call Amtrak at (800) USA-Rail and mention fare code X64W-945. (Some restrictions apply.) For local transportation information, call SEPTA at (215) 580-7800, and see page 6 for information on SEPTA discounts.

The **Official Show Program**, including a floor plan, will be published in *The Philadelphia Inquirer* on Sunday, February 16. The Program will also be available at the Show.

Buy tickets in advance and save! Tickets may be purchased in advance at a discounted price of $18 at advance-sales ticket outlets including participating PNC branches, AAA Mid-Atlantic offices, ACME Markets, Borders Book Stores, Clemens Markets, Eckerd, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, Smith & Hawken stores, and at participating garden centers and nurseries. Check availability with individual outlets; service charges may apply. Tickets are also available online at *www.theflowershow.com*

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing hours are from 3 pm until closing at 9:30 pm.

See you at the Show!

– Elizabeth Anderson

Philadelphia Flower Show
March 2–9, 2003

Pennsylvania Convention Center
12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia

www.theflowershow.com

General Admission
Adults: $24 on Opening Sunday (March 2), $22 weekends and $20 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $10 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $18
Group tickets (20 or more people): $17.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call (215) 988-8899.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Introducing a new Flower Show face

With more than two decades of wonderful designs for the Philadelphia Flower Show to his credit, you would be correct if you assumed that designer and director Ed Lindemann is a man who plans ahead. A while back Ed alerted me that the 2004 Show would be his last as designer and, sad as I was that Ed planned to retire, I was grateful to him for making sure that PHS had the time to plan an orderly transition.

Last year, we put together a group of PHS managers to discuss the qualities and experience we wanted in a Flower Show designer. We decided this person would work with Ed on the 2003 and 2004 Shows and take over when Ed retired after the 2004 Show. With these thoughts in mind, we began a search late last summer. Now, I am delighted to introduce you to **Sam Lemheney**, who will start at PHS in late January as associate Flower Show designer.

Sam is the proverbial "local boy." His father runs a flower shop in Newtown Square and his grandfather had a landscaping business in Lancaster County. When he was working on his Plant Science degree at the University of Delaware, Sam was an intern with Epcot's Land Pavilion at the Walt Disney World Resort and, the following year, in Disney's Horticulture Co-op Program. When he graduated from Delaware, Sam headed for a full-time job with Disney, working his way up through the Greens Department and creating special events for Disney guests.

In 1996, Sam became area manager of the Epcot International Flower & Garden Festival at the Walt Disney World Resort. In this capacity, Sam has developed and coordinated the transformation of the award-winning gardens of Epcot into one of the nation's most exciting outdoor garden events. This annual Festival is marked by a six-week celebration of gardens and gardening that includes special displays, Disney character topiaries, and a wide variety of horticultural programs and exhibits.

We are delighted that Sam and his wife Sally and their two children have decided to move to Philadelphia. I have heard from several people that know Sam's father Andy that he's pretty happy too. "Yes, Dad is just a little excited," says Sam.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

BLOOMIN' FUN PASS

During Flower Show Week—March 2 through 9—present your Bloomin' Fun Pass to enjoy **special offers, events, and discounts at area restaurants, shops, theaters, gardens, and hotels**. Pick up your Bloomin' Fun Pass at PHS headquarters or at the following locations: PNC Bank branches, Philadelphia International Airport, Independence Visitor Center, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, area malls (Franklin Mills, The Shops at Liberty Place, The Gallery at Market East), Center City District kiosks, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Franklin Institute.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT: JOHN & ANN SWAN

For more than 20 years, John and Ann Swan have played many roles at PHS. Some know John and Ann as "passers" for the Flower Show, where they are members of a group responsible for evaluating competitive class horticultural entries for quality and proper identification. But this is only the tip of the iceberg.

Ann, in addition to her many years with the Flower Show, served as Harvest Show chair for three years. She recently retired as a horticulture judge for the Garden Club of America, and is a past president of the West Chester Garden Club, as well as former chair of the Herb Society of America.

John is one of the folks who answer the "horticultural hotline" (AKA *Ask A Gardener*) at the PHS McLean Library. And he's co-chair of the bustling Horticultural Information Booth at the Flower Show. John is also a former member of Council and the Flower Show Executive Committee, and a past contributor to *Green Scene*. In 1992, the Swans' numerous accomplishments at PHS and in the field of horticulture were duly recognized when they received PHS's Certificate of Merit.

"I feel like I'm more busy now that I'm retired," says John, who in another life worked for DuPont. Indeed, John is an avid lecturer and photographer, exploring subjects ranging from meadow gardening to the gardens of England, Scotland, and Ireland.

The Swans' passion for horticulture and gardening starts at their home in West Chester, PA, where their award-winning Frogmore Garden has kept them busy for about four decades. (For history buffs, John says the inspiration for the name comes from a hideaway house built in 1792 for George III's wife, Queen Charlotte, as an escape from the formality of court life.) Plus, the Swans have a healthy collection of frog sculpture, both in the garden and inside their home.

Frogmore has been featured in *Beautiful American Vegetable Gardens*, as well as in *National Gardening* magazine and on the television program *Victory Garden Show*. Frogmore attracts both national and local visitors, like art students from Wayne Arts Center who annually paint the garden, and associates of the Smithsonian Institution who will once again visit this year.

Ann likes to refer to Frogmore as "the garden of perpetual maintenance," which is "overseen by dogs and frogs"—the dogs being the Swans' Irish wolfhounds, Clancy and Victoria (the latter, a 10-month-old puppy that already weighs 100 lbs.). "They're couch potatoes," says John. It's fair to say, however, that their owners are emphatically *not*. – *John Gannon*

Rob Cardillo

THE FLOWER SHOW SHOPPE

For those "in the know," the Flower Show Shoppe is the place where PHS members and visitors alike find official Philadelphia Flower Show souvenirs like mugs & magnets, tees & totes, "fanny-paks" & videos, as well as floral and garden gifts. Showing your PHS membership card entitles you to a 10% discount on the majority of items. Drop by to find your favorite demin shirt, tie or scarf embroidered or printed with the PHS logo.

Proceeds of sales at the Flower Show Shoppe benefit PHS's programs, including Philadelphia Green.

Look for the Shoppe in the center of Hall A. Staffed by our wonderful volunteers and a "dream team" of PHS personnel who provide some of the most pleasant service around, you'll certainly enjoy your stop in the Shoppe.

Look for the oval logo!

Robert Ikeler

PHILADELPHIA GREEN EXHIBIT

This year's Philadelphia Green exhibit at the Flower Show will feature a multimedia presentation that looks at the program's wide range of activities. "The display will not only feature eye-popping visuals, but will also emphasize to the viewing public that their purchase of Flower Show tickets helps support Philadelphia Green," says PHS's Flossie Narducci.

The exhibit will feature four areas—public landscapes in the city's downtown area and at its entryways, education programs, community parks and gardens, and Philadelphia Green's efforts to transform vacant, abandoned land into green spaces.

Each section will feature a video as well as large "photo murals." Plus, the exhibit's architectural features will allow the visitor to look in from several different angles. "We feel this design will pique the interest of the viewer," says Flossie, adding that the "openness" of the space will help invite visitors to explore the entire display. Several structural components of the exhibit will be suspended from the ceiling, including several "windows" filled with colorful, overflowing window-box planters.

Once again, PHS extends generous thanks to the F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company for sponsoring the Philadelphia Green exhibit at the Flower Show. The exhibit will be located on the main Show floor, just to the left of the PHS Flower Show Shoppe and Membership booths.

Neighborhood leaders from Philadelphia's gardening and greening community will be on hand at the exhibit to answer the questions of the curious. Be sure to stop by and say hello!

John Gannon

The Garden of Hope in North Philadelphia, a notable Philadelphia Green project.

MEMBERS' TIPS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW

Members' Flower Show Tickets

Tickets were mailed to PHS members during the third week of January. When your tickets arrive, put them in a secure place where you'll be sure to find them at Show time. PHS cannot be responsible for lost or misplaced tickets.

At the Show

Please don't forget your PHS membership card! It's your "passport" to the Members' Lounge and for shopping discounts in the Marketplace.

Present your PHS membership card at the **Members' Lounge**. This is the place to relax, enjoy a complimentary cup of coffee or tea, and become reenergized for another turn around the Show floor. The Members' Lounge will be open from Sunday, March 2 through Sunday, March 9—from 10 am to 4 pm on both Sundays and 10 am to 7 pm Monday through Saturday. **The Lounge will not be open during the Preview on Saturday, March 1.**

Some generous vendors in the Flower Show Marketplace will again offer shopping **discounts to PHS members** who present their PHS membership cards. The average discount is 10%. The list of these participating vendors for the 2003 Show will appear on the PHS website in early February. Hard copies of the list may be obtained through Member Services (215-988-8776 or 8832), in the Members' Lounge at the Show, or at either Membership sales booth on the Show floor.

2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW MAJOR EXHIBITORS

Major Exhibitor Competitive Categories

The symbol next to the exhibitor's name indicates the category in which they will be competing at the 2003 Philadelphia Flower Show.

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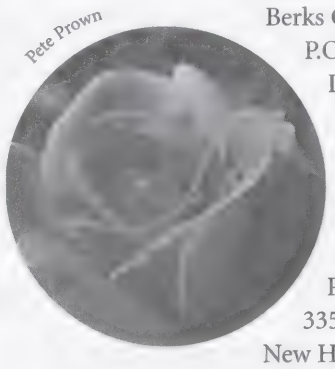

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The Garden Workers
The Planters

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Island Heights Garden Club
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Entryways

"Hospitality, Latin Style"
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Harriton High School of Lower Merion
Moorestown Garden Club

Gardens

"Magical Gardens"
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The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia
The Siblings
Isaiah Zagar & Allison Weiss

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"Celebration…Day"
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Penn Valley Garden Club

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Ginny Friedman
Kathleen & Angelina Gibney
Marnie King, Nancy Dilworth, Rose Gambacorta
Martha McCloskey
Caren & Eleanor Pauling
Denise Woods & Larry Kulp

Rooms

"Accent on Floriculture"
W. Eugene Burkhart, Jr. & Judy Boyer
The Garden Club of Philadelphia
The Gardeners
Old Eagle Garden Club
Penn Valley Garden Club
Rose and Thorn

Tables

"Buen Provecho"
Garden Club of Trenton
Janet Hano & Ann Kaye
Huntingdon Valley Garden Club
Roots & Shoots
Rose Tree Gardeners
Wayne Woods Garden Club

Urns

"Mercadeo a la Latina"
Toni De George, Suzanne Holland, Bonnie Hays
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ACTIVITIES

WORKSHOPS

CREATING A STANDARD

Wednesday, February 12, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ever wonder how to create a formal, tree-like form of some of your favorite bushy plants? **Julie Horoutunian**, who is responsible for creating the standards and topiaries grown at Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate techniques for training houseplants and annuals as topiary and standard forms. After demonstrations using a variety of plants including geraniums, fuchsias, lantana and ivy, participants will create their own standards to take home in a 4" clay pot. Please bring scissors or clippers; all other materials will be provided. Fee: $38 members; $40 non-members.

TROUGH PLANTING

Wednesday, March 26, 1–3 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden resembles a miniature world with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety—all in a space small enough to fit onto your porch or patio. In this class, we will plant a pre-fabricated trough with a range of exquisite sun-loving miniature perennial and woody

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor the second of two courses starting in late March with *Wildflowers in Fairmount Park*. This course is free and open to the public, and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus with reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. To register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23.

WILDFLOWERS IN FAIRMOUNT PARK

Monday, March 31 – Monday, April 28, 6:30 pm.
There will be two field trips on Saturdays in April.
PHS Auditorium

Learn the wildflowers of Fairmount Park through a series of five lectures at the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and two field trips in Fairmount Park, under the expert guidance of **Professor Alfred E. Schuyler**. The lectures will emphasize characteristics useful for identifying wildflowers and determining the groups to which they belong. In the field, we will identify as many wildflowers as time permits.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is associated with the Wagner Free Institute of Science, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation.

plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of the trough. We will be guided by rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**, who will share tips for taking care of your "miniature garden" throughout the season. Limit: 15. Fee: $60 members; $65 non-members.

FLOWER SHOW BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS

ROBERTSON'S AND NORRIS SQUARE

Wednesday, February 5, 9:30 am–3:30 pm
Philadelphia, PA

This promises to be an experience you will not forget: a day spent celebrating *Festival de las Flores* and enjoying the Puerto Rican spirit that inspired the theme of the 2003 Philadelphia Flower Show. First we will take you to Chestnut Hill to Robertson's Florist for a behind-the-scenes tour of their opulent central exhibit for the upcoming Show, given by **Bruce Robertson, Jr.** and his staff. Then we'll drive to the Norris Square neighborhood to experience the culture that inspired the horticulture. We will savor a delicious Puerto Rican lunch provided by Iris Brown of the Norris Square Neighborhood Project. After lunch, we will see the work of the dressmakers creating costumes for dancers at the Show. Fee includes coach travel from the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park, lunch and tours. Limit: 18. Fee: $55 members; $60 non-members.

STYER NURSERIES

Wednesday, February 19, 10 am–12 noon
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

J. Franklin Styer's exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show are always distinguished by their distinctive brand of creativity. **Michael Petrie**, their award-wining designer, will treat us to a sneak peek at Styer's 2003 Flower Show exhibit. This tour will focus on the process of designing a major exhibit. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

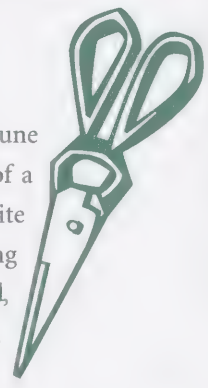
MEADOWBROOK FARM

Thursday, February 20, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a look at many of the unusual plants he is growing for major exhibitors at the 2002 Flower Show. This special behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook's greenhouses will also focus on the art of forcing plants for the Show, and you'll find out about Meadowbrook's own exhibit for this year's Show. Fee: $20 members; $25 non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

THE BASICS OF CARING FOR YOUR ROSES



Thursday, March 20, 12–1 pm
PHS Auditorium

Spring is the time to choose, plant, prune and feed your roses in anticipation of a new season to enjoy their exquisite color, fragrance, and long-blooming landscape value. Join **Ed MacFarland**, rose expert, educator and enthusiast, as he covers the basics of how to select easy-to-grow roses for your garden. He will reveal planting techniques and maintenance tips, including pruning, feeding and pest and disease control. Bring your rose conundrums! There will be plenty of time for discussion. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

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Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
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☐ Styer Nurseries	2/19	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
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Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

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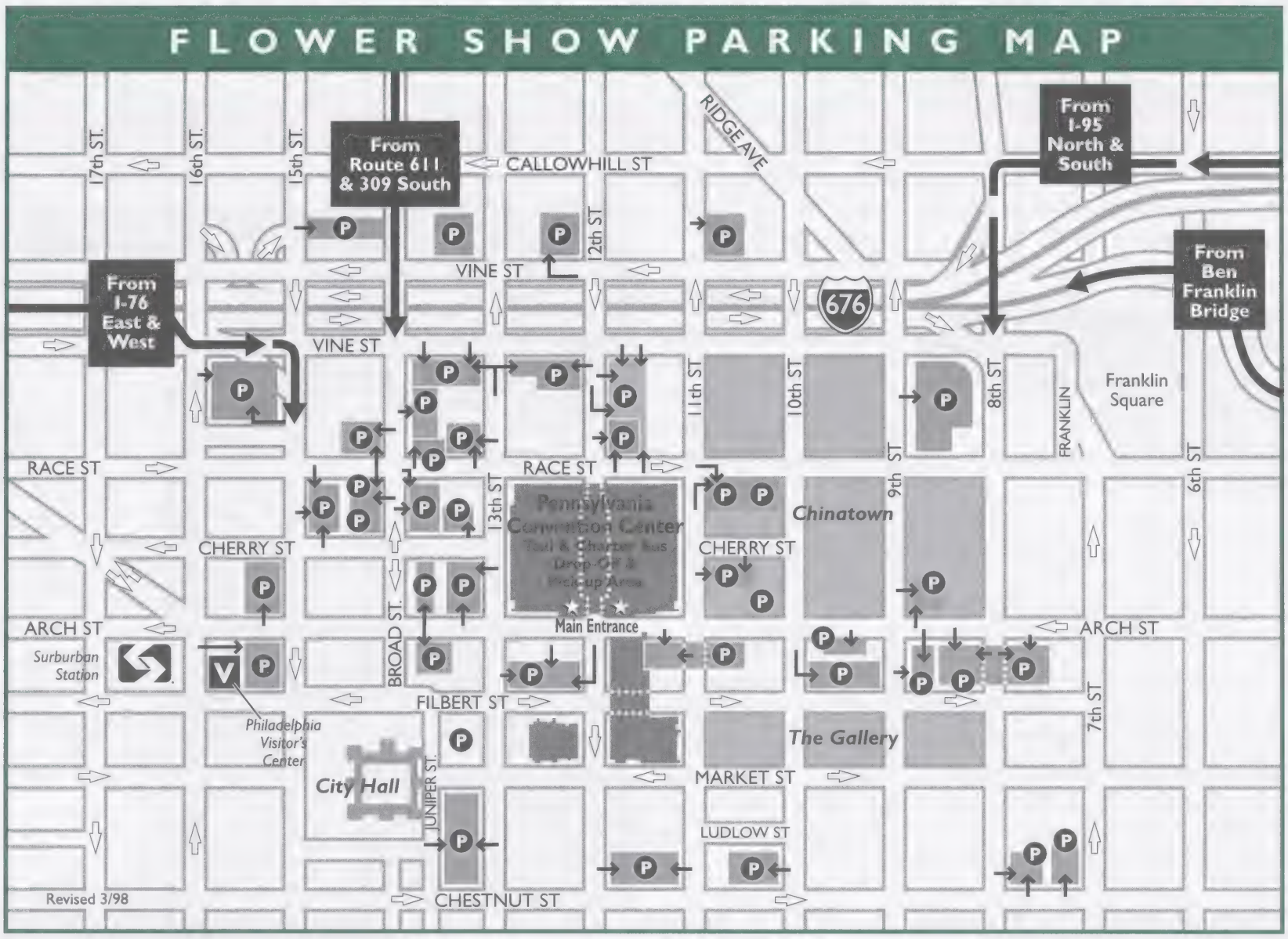

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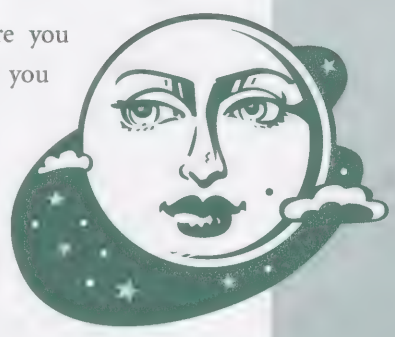
THE FLOWER SHOW—BLOOMIN' AT

"When's the best time to see the Show?" It's a question Flower Show visitors often ask so they can try to dodge the crowds that annually flood the Pennsylvania Convention Center.

"During the week of the Show, we suggest that visitors come after 3 or 4 pm when most of the bus tours are starting to leave," says PHS's Veronica Whiten, who is the point person in the Flower Show office at the Convention Center. She also adds that, although the Show is always going to draw the crowds, this is an easier time for folks with strollers or people with disabilities to get around. Monday through Saturday the Flower Show is open to 9:30 pm, allowing plenty of time to see the exhibits and displays and shop in the Marketplace.

If you do make plans to attend the Flower Show later in the day, here's another thought—make a night of it! Same day re-entry allows you to stroll through the exhibits and leave the Convention Center for a bit to dine at a local restaurant. (Just make sure you get your hand stamped before you leave the Show.)



In fact, many restaurants are participating in **Flower Show Week**. This celebration features hotel packages, special events, and discounted offers throughout the area—all centered around the Flower Show. Pick up a **Bloomin' Fun Pass** when you're at the Show; its discount card is FREE to visitors. These special offers can also be downloaded when you visit *www.theflowershow.com*

There are also many cultural attractions you can tie into your Flower Show visit. For instance, take advantage of an exclusive Flower Show/Philadelphia Museum of Art *Degas and the Dance* package. Together, the Museum and PHS are hosting nationwide tour groups, who will enjoy wonderful days of culture, flowers and exceptional hospitality in Philadelphia.

The price of $38 ($35 for seniors) includes the Degas exhibit admission and a Flower Show ticket. Call (215) 235-SHOW. For information on the special group rate of $43 (which includes a morning tour of the Degas exhibit), call the museum's Group Sales department at (215) 684-7863 or visit *www.philamuseum.org*

Plan your Flower Show trip by visiting *www.theflowershow.com* Order discounted Flower Show tickets, find parking and directional information, print the schedules for FREE culinary and gardening demonstrations, and check out the list of major exhibitors and marketplace vendors.

So, try coming to the Flower Show a bit later in the day, and make a bloomin' night of it.

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This year, PNC is also the sponsor of *Degas and the Dance*, a major exhibit at the Philadelphia Museum of Art. To Bill Mills, PNC's president for Philadelphia and Southern Jersey and a member of PHS Council, we say thanks for PNC's special support of PHS and the Museum.

Another good Flower Show friend is our Premiere Sponsor, **Subaru**, whose major exhibit will feature the Baja model of automobile. Subaru will also provide support as sponsor of the Preview Dinner and at the Harvest Show in the fall. **Bartlett Tree Expert Company** will have another Show-stopping exhibit on the main floor this year, and will again sponsor the **Philadelphia Green** exhibit. Bartlett is also a year-round partner, providing tree care for some of our Philadelphia Green gardens and parks.

E.P. Henry Corporation has for several years offered supplies to the Show and this year, for the first time, they will be the Show's Official Hardscaping Supplier. Look for an exhibit on the main floor that is sure to be as stunning as their '02 offering.

With Dave Roberts and Cecily Tynan on our side, PHS has two wonderful boosters. Look for the **WPVI-TV 6ABC** Flower Show Special on Saturday, March 1st at 7 pm. Special thanks to Rebecca Campbell, WPVI director of programming and operations (and also a member of the Flower Show Executive Committee) for creating this program.

Philadelphia Newspapers, Inc. (PNI) is another Show promotional partner and we truly appreciate the efforts and resources they put into the production of the Show program, which is offered to all readers of *The Philadelphia Inquirer* and, of course, to Show visitors.

We also value our partnership with **ARAMARK** and appreciate their efforts to provide our visitors with new dining and snacking options at the Show. Helping us with items of a culinary nature for another year is Chef Joseph Shilling and his team at the **Art Institute of Philadelphia, School of Culinary Arts**. Be sure to attend the daily demonstrations by some of Philadelphia's most renowned chefs.

And finally, we are delighted to welcome **Fine Gardening** magazine as first-year sponsor of our lectures and demonstrations.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

SAVE THE DATE: THE AZALEA GARDEN PARTY

Each May, several hundred partygoers enjoy the beautiful Azalea Garden and raise funds for the garden's maintenance. Since 1989, PHS's Philadelphia Green has guided the landscaping and maintenance efforts of this four-acre urban treasure, which serves as a gateway to Fairmount Park's famous Boathouse Row area.

At the Azalea Garden Party, you'll find wonderful company, lively music, delicious food and drink, and a raffle. The Party is also a festive way for families to get together. Activities for children include carriage rides around the garden, face painting, and jugglers.

Chairs Louise and Harry Hill will host the Party on **Thursday, May 15 from 5:30 to 8:00 pm**. Prices are $150 for benefactors; $100 for patrons; and $50 for the 35-and-under set. Children 12 and under are welcome to attend free of charge with their parents or grandparents.

PHS thanks Subaru, the Rittenhouse Trust Company and Old York Road Printing Company for their generous support of the Party.

For an invitation or more information, please contact Ellen Wheeler at (215) 988-8830 or email *ewheeler@pennhort.org*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: FRANK REED & THE "GRUMPY OLD MEN"

Think of the cliches: the eye of the hurricane, grace under pressure—none come close to capturing the calm and professionalism of Frank Reed and his "Grumpy Old Men," the group of volunteers who greet the many travelers arriving by bus at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Believe it or not, there's a light touch to the moniker. "Most of us are retired," explains Frank, who was president of Philadelphia National Bank. "We're used to getting in a little nap each day, but at the Flower Show there's no time for it. It makes us grumpy," he laughs, tongue firmly in cheek.

In fact, Frank and his merry men—with their smiles and helpful tips—are the first people that the bus tour groups meet when they arrive at the Flower Show. "They answer all of the visitors' questions," says Show designer and director Ed Lindemann. "They're our ambassadors."

These "motorcoach liaisons" first came into existence when the Flower Show moved from its old, smaller home at the Civic Center to the much larger Pennsylvania Convention Center. "The Civic Center had a warm feel to it," recalls Ed. "When we made the move to 'Broadway,' we didn't want to lose that friendly, inviting atmosphere."

While the idea of answering the questions of occasionally overwhelmed out-of-towners could seem daunting, Lindsey Wolfe—another Grumpy Old Man—sees it differently. "Where else do you get the opportunity to talk to people from so many different places?," he says. "Sometimes, just saying a kind word to someone makes all the difference." And, adds Jim Bennett, "It's nice to be able to talk up Philadelphia and its various attractions." Jim co-chairs the Traffic & Parking Subcommittee with Frank.

Perhaps the most unsung heroes are the Philadelphia Police, who work seamlessly with the Grumpy Old Men to keep the bus line running smoothly. "The police do an amazing job," says Frank, "especially when they have to deal with commuter traffic *on top of* the normal, hectic Show traffic."

Along with the crowds, the Grumpy Old Men also have to contend with the occasionally blustery weather conditions of early March. "They can have the worst working conditions," admits Ed. Yet, you find nary a complaint from this unflappable crew. Instead, wonderful stories abound.

Frank Reed (left) with one of his "Grumpy Old Men," George Thorbahn.

For instance, Frank recalled that one time a bus pulled up, but didn't empty right away: "When I knocked on the bus door, the driver told me, 'Just a minute—they want to finish their movie first.' We see it all." *– John Gannon*

MAKING "CENTER CITY GREEN"

A recent grant from the William Penn Foundation has funded a partnership between the Center City District (CCD) and PHS's Philadelphia Green to explore ways to enhance downtown Philadelphia's parks and public landscapes. This initiative is called "Center City Green."

At the request of Center City District, PHS conducted a study last June about how to manage Center City's green space. It concluded that, along with Philadelphia Green, a variety of organizations—like CCD, Penn's Landing Corporation, and the Interstate Management Corporation—currently provide about $860,000 each year to finance the upkeep of portions of this landscape and support the resources of the Fairmount Park Commission.

PHS estimated it would require about $800,000 to bring the area's green space up to standard, then $1 million annually to maintain the area's 105 acres of parkland and 117 acres of streetscapes. The consulting firm of Fairmount Ventures is working with the partnership to make a case for investment, explore potential funding sources, and create a business plan for Center City Green.

"A large-scale improvement of Center City's green space will not only enhance the downtown's appearance, but also the overall quality of life for the city's residents, business community, and visitors," notes Kathryn Newland, associate director of Philadelphia Green.

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John Gannon

PHS TO EXHIBIT AT TEMPLE UNIVERSITY AMBLER'S EARTHFEST 2003

On April 22, PHS will participate in Temple University Ambler's *EarthFest 2003*, a celebration of Earth Day that will promote environmental awareness using sustainable concepts, methods, and practices to protect and preserve our natural environment.

"This event will open up a wide range of ideas for home gardeners and individuals working in the green industry. It will also highlight a field of possible careers to students and the public that they are not typically exposed to," says Temple Ambler's Lisa Blum.

As part of *EarthFest*, PHS will present its **Gold Medal Plant Award program**, which recognizes woody plants of outstanding merit. These plants, often under-used, are evaluated and chosen for their superb eye-appeal, performance, and hardiness (see below for more on Gold Medal at the Flower Show). And, PHS will be on hand to provide information about its **Philadelphia Green** program.

There will also be a special "Gardener's Market" at the campus greenhouse—a plant sale offering primarily native and rare plants and shrubs—as well as a "museum" of horticulture and landscape architecture memorabilia.

Hosted by the Center for Sustainable Communities, this outdoor festival will be held on **Earth Day, Tuesday, April 22, 2003, from 10 am–6 pm, rain or shine at the Temple Ambler campus.**

For more information about EarthFest 2003 visit *www.ambler.temple.edu*, call (215) 283-1291, or send email to *earthfest@temple.edu*

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS ON DISPLAY AT THE FLOWER SHOW

Be sure to stop by the Gold Medal Plant exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show, which showcases winners of PHS Gold Medal Plant Awards and recognizes outstanding trees, shrubs, vines and groundcovers for use in Zones 5–7. This year's display features an educational "walk-through" layout, with plenty of handouts on these wonderful woody plants.

The exhibit will feature past winners, as well as 2003 winners such as *Camellia japonica* 'Korean Fire' (Japanese camellia) and *Spiraea thunbergii* 'Ogon' Mellow Yellow®.

Once again, enthusiastic volunteers from the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association (PLNA) will be on hand to answer questions about Gold Medal winners as well as about PHS and PLNA. Stop on by and say hello!

For more information and a complete list of Gold Medal plants, please visit the PHS website or *www.goldmedalplants.com* or contact Joe Ziccardi at (215) 988-8824; email: *jziccard@pennhort.org*

Thanks to the Chanticleer Foundation for their support of the Gold Medal program.

Camellia japonica
'Korean Fire'
(Japanese Camellia)

Spiraea thunbergii
'Ogon' Mellow Yellow®

2002 Gold Medal Plant exhibit

2003 PLANT SALES AND EVENTS

Public Gardens, Arboreta & Educational Facilities

Historic Bartram's Garden
Annual Native Plant Sale, May 3rd, 10 am–4 pm
54th & Lindbergh Boulevard, Philadelphia, PA
Contact: (215) 729-5281

Brandywine Conservancy Wildflower & Native Plant Gardens
Annual Wildflower, Native Plant and Seed Sale, May 10–11, 9:30 am–4:30 pm
Brandywine River Museum, Courtyard
US Route 1, Chadds Ford, PA
Contact: Suzy Stahl, (610) 388-2700
Email: *inquiries@brandywine.org*

Churchville Nature Center
Wildflower Sale, May 3–9, 9 am–5 pm, rain or shine
Ongoing: Plant Sale, Spring through Fall
Specialize in Natives and Wildlife plants
501 Churchville Lane, Churchville, PA 18966
Contact: Marlin Corn, Naturalist, (215) 357-4005
Email: *mdcorn@co.bucks.pa.us*
www.churchvillenaturecenter.org

Cleveland Botanical Garden
Flower Show, Largest Outdoor Show in North America
Tentative dates: May or June, call for more info
Fee: $12 advance, $18 at door
Cleveland Botanical Garden, 11030 East Boulevard, Cleveland, OH
Contact: Julie Kirschnick, (216) 721-1600, ext. # 176
www.cbgarden.org

Cylburn Arboretum Association
Market Day, May 10, 8 am–2 pm, rain or shine
Plant Sale, June 1, 8 am–2 pm
Fee: $2 per automobile, parking available
Cylburn Arboretum, 4915 Greenspring Avenue, Baltimore, MD 21209
Contact: Jane Baldwin, President, (410) 367-2217
www.cylburnassociation.org

Dumbarton Oaks
Symposium Studies, "Lay Ritual Practices in Gardens and Landscapes"
May 2–3, call for registration
Dumbarton Oaks, 1703 32nd Street, Washington, DC
Contact: Sheila Gagen, (202) 339-6460

Friends of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
Morris County Park Commission
Annual Plant Sale, May 3, 9 am–4 pm
Frelinghuysen Arboretum, 53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Ann Abrams, Secretary (973) 326-7603
c/o Friends, PO Box 1295, Morristown, NJ 07962-1295

Henry Foundation for Botanical Research
Plant Sale, Native, New and Notable, April 25 (members only)
April 26 & April 27 (free and open to public)
Call for specific times
801 Stony Lane (off Henry Lane), Gladwyne, PA
Contact: Frederica Hammerstrom, (610) 525-2037

Irvine Natural Science Center
Annual Native Plant Seminar and Sale, August 23
Seminar: 9 am–12 pm,
Plant Sale: 9 am–3 pm
Fee: $55 nonmembers, $45 members for seminar, plant sale free to public, afternoon workshops, $25
8400 Greenspring Avenue
Stevenson, MD
Contact: Roseann Glick, (410) 484-2413

Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania
Plant Sale, May 9 (members only preview), 10 & 11 (open to public), 10 am–5 pm
Fee: Morris Arboretum admission
100 Northwestern Avenue, Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Christine Pape, (215) 247-5777, ext. #135
www.upenn.edu/arboretum

Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust
Spring Native Plant & Wildflower Sale, May 2–3, Friday 2–7 pm, Saturday 11 am–4 pm
Ongoing: Plant Sale, Spring through Fall
2955 Edgehill Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA
Contact: Nathan Burns, (215) 657-0830
www.libertynet.org/pert

Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College
Biennial Plant Sale, Spring and Fall Festivals and Winter Celebration, TBA
500 College Avenue, Swarthmore, PA
Contact: Julie Jenney, (610) 328-8025

Tyler Arboretum
Arbor Day Plant Sale, April 26, 9 am–3 pm
515 Painter Road, Media, PA
Contact: Kirsten Warner, (610) 366-9134, ext. #210
Email: *kwerner@tylerarboretum.org*

University of Delaware Botanic Gardens
Plant Sale, Friday, April 25 (preorder only), 2–8 pm; Saturday, April 26, 9:30 am–4 pm
Fischer Greenhouse (behind Townsend Hall)
Newark Campus, University of Delaware, Newark, DE
Contact: Dr. John Frett, (302) 831-2531

Wilmington Garden Day
Self-guided Tour, Saturday, May 3, 10 am – 5 pm
Fee: $15 before May 3, $18 on Garden Day
Wilmington/greater New Castle County area of Delaware
Contact: (302) 428-6172 or
www.gardenday.org

Garden Clubs

Camden Garden Club
Garden Tours, July 18, 9:30 am–4 pm, rain or shine (area homes and gardens open to view)
Fee: $25, tickets available on day of tour
P.O. Box 952, Camden, ME 048433
Contact: Nancy McConnel, (207) 236-6375
Email: *gjcurtis@midcoast.com*

Delaware Valley Chapter, Hobby Greenhouse Association
Chapter Meetings, third Saturday of January, March, June, September, November, 9:30 am–12 pm
Plant Sale and Auction, May 17, beginning 9:30 am
Horticultural Center in Fairmount Park
Contact: Bernie Wiener, (610) 446-2160

Delaware Nature Society
Copeland Native Plant Seminar, March 15, 8:30 am–4 pm
Fee: $70; Members: $55
Ashland Nature Center, Brackenville Road, Hockessin, DE
Plant Sale, May 3–4, Saturday 9 am–5 pm, Sunday 10 am–3 pm, rain or shine
Coverdale Farm, Way Road, Greenville, DE
Contact: Linda Young, Communications Coordinator, (302) 239-2334
Email: *webpage@dnsashland.org*
www.delawarenaturesociety.org

Huntingdon Valley Garden Club
Lecture and Demonstration, May 15, 10 am
Speaker, On Thai (AIFD)
9–10 am & after lecture, tour gallery and "Art in Bloom"
Fee: $40 (limited seating)
Abington Art Center
515 Meetinghouse Road
Jenkintown PA
Contact: Renee Wynn, (215) 886-2818

The Providence Garden Club of Pennsylvania
55th Annual Plant Sale, May 3, 9 am–2 pm
106 New Middletown Road, Media, PA
Contact: Kay Yost, (610) 565-6292

African Violets

Tri-State African Violet Council
Annual Show & Sale, November 1–2, Saturday 1–4 pm, Sunday 11 am–4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue,
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
Email: *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

African Violet Club of Morris County
Plant Show and Sale, April 5–6
Saturday 1:30–5 pm,
Sunday 11 am–4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue,
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
Email: *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Azaleas

Brookside Chapter of the Azalea Society of America
Azalea Sale, May 10, 8 am–12 pm
Tilden School, Old Georgetown Road, North of Tuckerhan Lane, Bethesda, MD
Plant Sale, May 17, 9 am–2 pm
Brookside Gardens, 1500 Glenallen Avenue, Wheaton MD
Contact: Debra White, (301) 831-9164
Email: *whiteaz@aol.com*

Bonsai

Great Swamp Bonsai Society
Exhibit and Demonstration, June 14, 10 am–3 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue,
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
Email: *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Cactus & Succulents

Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society
Plant Sale, May 3–4, 10 am–5 pm
Historic Peddlers Village, Lahaska PA
Ongoing Meetings: 2nd Sunday, May–September
Horticultural Center, 10 Horticulture Drive, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Susan Wexler, (215) 843-1606
www.geocities.com/philadelphia-c-s-s

2003 PLANT SALES AND EVENTS

Chrysanthemums

New Jersey State Chrysanthemum Society
The National Chrysanthemum Show & Sale, October 11–12
Saturday 1–5 pm, Sunday 11–5 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue,
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
Email: *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Daffodils

Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Annual Show, April 15–16
Tuesday, entries taken 7–10:30 am; public viewing from 1:30–5 pm. Wednesday, 10 am–5 pm
Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, PA
Plant Sale, October 4, 9 am – 12 pm
Call for location
Contact: Martha Griner, President, (609) 298-4375
Email: *martha809@comcast.net*

New Jersey Daffodil Society
27th Annual Daffodil Show, April 25–26
Friday 1–5 pm, Saturday 10 am–4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum,
(973) 326-7600
53 East Hanover Avenue,
Morristown, NJ
Contact: Shirley Cameron, (201) 569-9257

Daylilies

Delaware Valley Daylily Society
Daylily Show, June 28, 1–4 pm, no admission (rain or shine)
Paoli Presbyterian Church,
223 S. Valley Road, Paoli, PA
Plant Sale, August 23, 9–11 am, no admission (rain or shine)
Good Samaritan Episcopal Church,
Paoli Pike and Route 30, Paoli, PA
Contact: William Graboyes, Publicity, (610) 256-4833

Ferns

Delaware Valley Fern & Wildflower Society
Annual Meeting & Slide Lecture, November 15, 10 am
Horticulture Center,
10 Horticultural Drive,
Fairmount Park,
Philadelphia, PA
Fern & Wildflower Trips, April–September, TBA
Contact: Otto Heck, (908) 996-2598

Gloxinias & Gesneraiads

American Gloxinias & Gesneraiad Society
47th International Annual Convention, July 1–6, call for hours
Fee: Registration only
Flower Show and Plant Sale, July 4–5
Friday 3:30–5 pm, Saturday 9 am–12 noon
Fee: Free, open to public
Red Lion Hotel, Sacramento, CA
Contact: Barbara Elkin, (530) 878-0505
Email: *bjbar@earthlink.net*

Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society
Show and Sale, October 5, 10 am–4 pm
Fee: Free, open to public
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue,
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
Email: *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Herbs

Herb Society of America, Delaware Valley Unit
Plant Sale, May 17–18
Saturday 10 am–4 pm, Sunday 1–4 pm
Holcomb-Jimson Farmstead, Route 29, Lambertville, NJ
Contact: Rees and Meghan Davis, (908) 996-3318

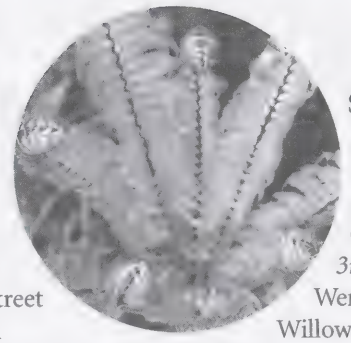
Herb Society of America, Mid-Atlantic Unit
Plant Sale, May 8, 10 am
Historic Yellow Springs Institute,
Art School Road, Chester Springs, PA
Contact: Mary Murdoch,
(610) 363-2837
Email: *mpmurdoch@comcast.net*

Herb Society of America, Northern New Jersey Unit
32nd Annual Herb Sale, May 18, 10 am–2 pm
"Herbal Legends, Folklore, and the Fairie Garden"
Delbarton School, Rt. 24, Mendham Road, Morristown, NJ
Contact: Gail Masson, (908) 459-9223

Herb Society of America, Philadelphia Unit
64th Annual Herb Society Sale, May 8, 10 am–2 pm, rain or shine
Historic Yellow Springs Institute,
Art School Road, Chester Springs, PA
Contact: Dru Kring (610) 827-1258

Swarthmore Garden Club
Herb Sale, May 10, 9 am–12 pm
Swarthmore Boro Hall, 121 Park Avenue, Swarthmore, PA
Contact: Margie Baker, (610) 544-5366
Email: *mmb41@comcast.net*

Tamanend Park Herb Garden Club
Herb Sale, May 17–18, 9 am–3 pm, rain or shine
Fee: Free, open to public
Tamanend Park, 2nd Street Pike, Southampton, PA
Contact: Laura May, (215) 442-1619
Email: *Laura_May@worldnet.att.net*



Hostas

Delaware Valley Hosta Society
Hosta Show and Sale, March 15
Show: 2 pm, Plant Sale: 12:30 pm
Fee: Free, open to public
Brandywine Valley Park Inn and Suites
US 1 & US 202, Glen Mills PA
Contact: Eva Jones, (410) 939-3871
dvhosta.org

Irises

Garden State Iris Society–AID Region 19
Plant Sale, July 20, 10 am–2 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue, Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, (973) 326-7600
Email: *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Orchids

Delaware Valley Orchid Council
15th Annual Speakers Forum, April 26, 8:30 am–4 pm
Speakers: Stephen Champlin: Orchid Species of Brazil; Lauris Rose: Unusual Species and Hybrids; Mune Kazu Ejiri: Cattleya Hybridizing in Japan
Fee: $35, includes lunch
Wyndam Hotel, Mt. Laurel, NJ
Contact: Lois Duffin,
(215) 248-3626

Greater Philadelphia Orchid Society
Orchid Preview and Auction, September 25
Preview 7 pm, Auction 7:30 pm
Ongoing: Monthly Meeting, 4th Thursday, 8 pm except November/December, 3rd Thursday
Merion Friends Activity Center
615 Montgomery Avenue,
Narberth, PA
Contact: Lois Duffin, (215) 248-3626

Southeastern PA Orchid Society
Orchid Show, February 6–9, mall hours
King of Prussia Mall Court,
Lower Level
King of Prussia, PA
Orchid Sale, November 12, 7:30 pm
Educational Meetings, September–May, 2nd Wednesday each month, 7 pm
Freedom Foundation, Martha Washington Building, Rt. 23,
Valley Forge, PA
Contact: Deborah Robinson,
(610) 827-7445
www.sepos.org

South Jersey Orchid Society
Annual Orchid Auction, November 16, 1 pm
Ongoing: Monthly Meeting, 3rd Sunday, September–May
Wenonah Methodist Church
Willow and South Clinton Streets, Wenonah, NJ
Contact: Robert Bacon, (856) 665-4273

Perennials & Woody Plants

Hardy Plant Society/Mid Atlantic Group Gardeners' Market, August 23, 9 am–2 pm
Fee: Free, open to public
Frazier Mennonite Church,
65 Maple Linden Lane, Malvern, PA
Contact: Cindi Kistler, (610) 458-8287

Perennial Plant Association
Perennial Plant Symposium, July 27–August 3
Two Locations. Call for details
Fee: Call for registration and fee
Hyatt Regency, Sacramento, CA and the Westin St. Francis, San Francisco, CA
Contact: Steven Still, (614) 771-8431

Rhododendrons

American Rhododendron Society, Valley Forge Chapter
Flower (Truss) Show, May 11, 1–5 pm
Fee: Longwood Gardens general admission
Longwood Gardens, Route 1,
Kennett Square, PA
Plant Sale, May 3–4
Saturday 9 am–3 pm, Sunday 11 am–3 pm
Jenkins Arboretum,
631 Berwyn and Baptist Road,
Devon, PA
For Jenkins directions only call:
(610) 647-8870
Contact: Joan Warren, (610) 913-0005

Rock Gardens

North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter
Rock Garden Plant Show and Program, April 12, 10 am
Speaker: Marnie Flook
Swarthmore Friends Meeting Center, Swarthmore, PA
Plant Sales, June 14 & September 13, 10 am
Fee: Members only, $15
Robbins Nature Center, Butler Park, Ambler, PA
Contact: Jill Evans, (610) 279-9762
www.dvcnargs.org

Roses

Philadelphia Rose Society
Rose Show, June 1, 1–5 pm, rain or shine
Plant Sale, November 15, 8–10 am, rain or shine
Fees: admission to Morris Arboretum
Morris Arboretum, 100 Northwestern Avenue, Chestnut Hill, PA
Contact: Dave Wolf, President,
(215) 345-6575
Email: *pjdistrictrose.org*

PHS LAUNCHES CITY GARDENING SERIES

Through a generous grant from the William Penn Foundation, PHS recently launched the **Philadelphia Green City Gardening Series** as part of its efforts to enhance the city's green spaces. Over the next 18 months, we will offer 75 classes on various city gardening topics to increase the know-how of novice and experienced gardeners alike. PHS will run these sessions in various city neighborhoods in partnership with community organizations.

"We want more people in more neighborhoods to get on the gardening bandwagon so that Philadelphia truly realizes founder William Penn's vision of a 'Green Countrie Towne,'" says PHS outreach manager Patricia Schrieber.

Do you know of any horticultural experts? We are looking to identify potential speakers who are knowledgeable about city gardening topics. We also want to spread the word to interested gardeners about upcoming classes. If you want to learn more about the Philadelphia Green City Gardening Series as a potential speaker or attendee, please contact Patricia Schrieber at (215) 988-8841 or *pschrieb@pennhort.org*

Look for updates and more details in future issues of *PHS News*.

"NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET IT"

Volunteer for Spring Garden Visits

We are looking for volunteers to welcome PHS members to exquisite private gardens on our three days of Spring Garden Visits. The gardens (five to seven in each area) will be located in the Haddonfield area of New Jersey on Saturday, May 10; the Western Main Line on Sunday, June 1; and the Swarthmore/Media area on Sunday, June 15. Volunteers work two-hour shifts, from noon–2 pm, or 2–4 pm, and are invited to visit the other gardens open that day during the other shift. This is an ideal opportunity to see a very special garden close up, as well as meet and greet your fellow PHS members. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

WORKSHOPS

CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Wednesday, March 12, 1–3 pm; and
Wednesday, March 26, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden resembles a miniature world with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety—all in a space small enough to fit onto your porch or patio. In this two-part class we will first make a trough and later plant it to take home. In the first session, you will create a trough using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form under the guidance of rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**. The trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In the second session, you will plant your trough with sun-loving miniature perennial and woody plants that thrive in its loose, well-drained soil. Limit: 15. Fee: $110 members; $120 non-members.

TROUGH PLANTING

Wednesday, March 26, 1–3 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

In this class, we will plant a pre-fabricated trough with a range of exquisite sun-loving miniature perennial and woody plants. We will be advised by rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**, who will share tips for taking care of your "miniature garden" throughout the season. Limit: 15. Fee: $60 members; $65 non-members.

PROPAGATING PERENNIALS

Tuesday, April 1, 10 am–noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Increase your garden with free plants. Some of the best varieties you can plant this spring are right in front of you, just waiting to be increased in number. By propagating perennials, you get more plants for your own garden, have some to give away to friends, and can share some of your favorite plants with fellow PHS members at the Plant Dividend in the fall.

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give an overview of the theories and techniques for propagating perennials in the spring. John will demonstrate the most common methods of propagation: stem and root cuttings and root division, as well as explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will have hand-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. Fee: $24 members; $29 non-members.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Five Sessions: Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24 & May 1, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS Classroom

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor and have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of form, dimensionality, and "reality," this could be the class for you! This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen,** will include: mixing the colors of nature with a limited palette of six colors and making a color journal; learning specific exercises to create form and dimensionality; and discussion of watercolor brushes and paper. We will work from live specimens, initially using the simpler forms of fruits and vegetables. It is necessary to attend the first session of this five part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration.

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts-Philadelphia College of Arts and Design, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. Limit: 15. Fee: $135 members, $145 non-members.

MAKING A LIVING WREATH

Tuesday, April 22, 10 am – noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Nanci Walsh, horticulturist and retail manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate how to create an annual living wreath. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss, then plant annuals around the wreath. The finished product may be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or as a welcome wreath for your garden gate. Limit: 20. Fee: $55 members; $60 non-members.

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 23, 5:30–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Prezemek Walczak, horticulturist at Chanticleer and certified ISA arborist, will discuss all aspects of pruning—from "should I?" to how and when. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning and the do's and don't's. Prezemek will also talk about proper tools, their uses, and how to care for them, and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.

PLANTING A WINDOW BOX WITH ANNUALS

Tuesday, April 29, 10 am–noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

In this workshop, you will plant a window box with your choice of a wide range of colorful annuals to enhance your house and garden all summer long. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce you

to simple design principles and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your window box throughout the season. All materials, including window box and plants, are provided. Limit: 20. Fee: $55 for members, $60 for non-members.

EVENING LECTURE

THE PLEASURES AND PROBLEMS OF ROOFTOP GARDENING

Tuesday, April 29, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

A rooftop garden may be the ultimate container garden, and against the backdrop of a breathtaking city skyline, it has the potential for drama and delight. Unique conditions—such as strong winds, limited spaces, weight restrictions, prohibitive building codes and extreme temperature variations—can make rooftop gardening a challenge. **Jeff Mendoza** will share his years of experience overcoming these obstacles as he discusses and illustrates the rigors and rewards of creating a container garden paradise on the rooftops of Manhattan. Jeff Mendoza is the owner of J. Mendoza Gardens, Inc., which has created exceptional gardens since 1987. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

WALK

NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Thursday, April 24, 10 am–noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Karl Rider** will introduce and discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives to use for difficult garden conditions. The program includes a tour of the wildflower trail at Meadowbrook, with a special focus on native plants. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

THE BASICS OF CARING FOR YOUR ROSES

Thursday, March 20, 12–1 pm
PHS Auditorium

Spring is the time to choose, plant, prune and feed your roses in anticipation of a new season to enjoy their exquisite color, fragrance, and long-blooming landscape value. Join **Ed MacFarland**, rose expert, educator and enthusiast, as he covers the basics of how to select easy-to-grow roses for your garden. He will reveal planting techniques and maintenance tips, including pruning, feeding and pest and disease control. Bring your rose conundrums! There will be plenty of time for discussion. Please bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Create and Plant Your Own Trough Garden	3/12, 3/26	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Trough Planting	3/26	Fee: $60/$65	_____	_____
☐ Propagating Perennials	4/1	Fee: $24/$29	_____	_____
☐ Botanical Illustration w/Watercolor	4/3–5/1	Fee: $135/$145	_____	_____
☐ Making a Living Wreath	4/22	Fee: $55/$60	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs	4/23	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Planting a Window Box of Annuals	4/29	Fee: $55/$60	_____	_____
☐ Rooftop Gardening	4/29	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/24	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Basics of Caring for Roses	3/20	Fee: $5	_____	_____
		TOTAL:		**$**_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

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Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495. You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA or MasterCard.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

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April 28 – May 10, 2003

Join fellow PHS members to explore gardens in Tuscany and near Rome. We'll see great historic gardens that define Italian style, with formal parterres, fountains, and water features. We'll visit private and public gardens created during the mid to late 20th century in a wide range of gardening styles, and delight in the famed scenery of Tuscany where many gardens have enchanted "borrowed views." Many of the owners of private gardens will open up their villas to us. We'll stay in or near Florence, Lucca, and Rome and have introductory tours of each city, as well as time to explore independently.

Leading our tour will be Rory Stuart, an Englishman recently transplanted to Italy. Rory is a garden designer, author, and lecturer whose passion for gardens has taken him around the world. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group.

To view the complete itinerary, visit our website at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* or call Betsy Gullan (215-988-8778) to request a brochure.

SAVE THE DATE

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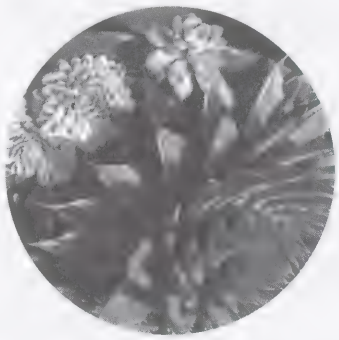
For more information about participating in the Kids Grow Expo, contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

WORKSHOP FOR TEACHERS

How to enter the Kids Grow Expo
Tuesday, March 25, 4 pm
PHS Headquarters
To register, contact Kay Gramiak at (215) 988-8861 or *kgramiak@pennhort.org*



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PHILADELPHIA GREEN SPRINGS FORWARD

The Philadelphia Flower Show has been put to bed, but once again it has inspired the gardener in us all to get a jump on spring. Here at PHS, our **Philadelphia Green** program has already planned many exciting activities and projects throughout the city.

Philadelphia Green kicks off spring with a couple of programs for city dwellers: through **Tree Tenders Basic Training**, neighbors will learn how to plant and care for neighborhood trees; and in the **Garden Tenders Basic Training**, aspiring green thumbs will learn how to start and tend their own community gardens.

We're again working with our valued partner, the Philadelphia Department of Streets, on two tree planting projects. Along **Schoolhouse Lane** in Manayunk, as well as the perimeter of **Independence Mall**, Philadelphia Green is the horticultural consultant for new installations. And at the **Philadelphia Museum of Art**, look for a new landscape along the Art Museum Drive entrance. Also, at various Center City public spaces, hard-working volunteers will be invaluable contributors to this area's "green scene." (See page 3 for locations and dates.)

On Saturday, May 3, neighborhood parks throughout the city will be filled with the activities of **Spring into Your Park**. At this festive event, volunteer park groups come out "en masse" to clean, plant, and tend their treasured community spaces. (See page 3 for more on our Parks Project.)

In other spring news, Philadelphia Green launched its **Growing Community Gardeners Initiative**, selecting 22 gardens through an application process to participate. The groups that maintain these gardens are involved with their larger neighborhoods and have strong commitments to community gardening. They will receive project support, training in horticulture, and learn the "how-to's" of fundraising and strengthening their groups.

Lastly, our efforts to address the city's problem of abandoned, "vacant" land continues with work in and around the federally-supported **American Street Empowerment Zone**. We'll be planting 80 trees with the Kensington South organization, as well as "stabilizing" over a dozen vacant lots along the 3rd Street and Berks Street corridors with a basic landscape of grass, trees, and wood fencing. And, as part of Philadelphia Green's ongoing collaboration with the city administration on its **Neighborhood Transformation Initiative**, key sites in West Philadelphia and Strawberry Mansion will be reclaimed with basic landscape plantings.

Reflecting on this "clean and green" process for vacant land, Philadelphia Green director Mike Groman notes, "This reclaimed land not only greatly improves the appearance of struggling communities affected by urban blight, but it helps set the stage for potential redevelopment efforts."

Look for more updates on Philadelphia Green in future issues of *PHS News*.

Tree Tenders in West Philadelphia

J. Gannon

2002 Fall for Your Park

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Special Thanks

This is the time of year when we welcome many new members to PHS. Some of you joined in response to our annual mailing that encouraged residents of the Greater Philadelphia Region to join PHS and get tickets to the Philadelphia Flower Show. Others joined at the Show, where our membership sales team under the able leadership of volunteer Pat Sanders corralled you into signing up for membership.

To our new members and to all current members, welcome and thank you for being a part of the Society. As you will see in this newsletter, there are many ways to enjoy your membership—from taking an evening stroll at Chanticleer, that beautiful pleasure garden in Wayne, to embarking on a day trip to gardens in Media, Swarthmore, the Main Line, or Haddonfield. If you have suggestions for classes or trips you would like PHS to consider in the future, please contact Chela Kleiber, program activities manager, at (215) 988-8775 or email *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

My thanks also to everybody involved with the Flower Show. As I write this, we are packing our boxes and heading for the Convention Center. By the time you read it, we will be back at our headquarters and making Show plans for next year. If you have thoughts on the Flower Show, please send me a note at *jpepper@pennhort.org*

In my thanks, I include of course all our volunteers—all 3,500 of them—who welcomed visitors, judged the exhibits and helped us solve a myriad of challenges—from traffic to tours. These volunteers bring other staff members and me not only much-needed help at a very busy time, but also humor and good counsel.

Also, my thanks to our exhibitors, from the individual who displayed one tiny begonia for the first time to the landscaper who installed an ambitious garden. Each and every one of you provides our visitors with that special pre-spring experience that we all crave in early March.

And finally, I wanted to let you know about a donation I received earlier this year, from the Lifer's Organization at Graterford Prison. Enclosed with a check for $100 was a note from Chairman Robert Young expressing, on behalf of his colleagues, their enthusiasm for our accomplishments in the city through Philadelphia Green. Every donation we receive at PHS is critically important, but this was one to treasure.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper, PHS president

HELP CITY HALL "BLOOM" ON MAY 14

PHS in cooperation with the Fairmount Park Commission will host the 12th annual **City Hall in Bloom**, a volunteer planting in City Hall's perimeter beds and Dilworth Plaza. Each year, PHS members and friends, school groups, and staff gather to plant 6,000 annuals to beautify this nexus of city government. This year, we'll be planting agastache, coleus, colocasia, lantana, pennisetum, and ricinus.

City Hall in Bloom will be held on **Wednesday, May 14, 9 am to noon (rain or shine)**. To volunteer, please call Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865 or email *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

Come join us for a day of gardening fun!

J. Gannon

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: LEE GUTMAN

Lee Gutman keeps a small garden at her home in Philadelphia 's Society Hill, but she considers the Azalea Garden her "second home." Chair of volunteers for the Azalea Garden, located directly behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art, Lee has been working in the garden since 1989.

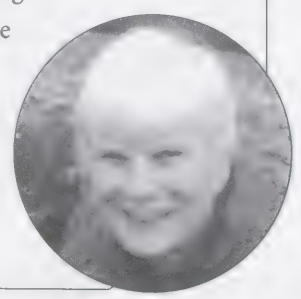
Back then, she lived in the city's Art Museum area, and representatives from PHS attended a meeting of her neighborhood civic association to solicit volunteers to help restore the long-neglected garden to its former glory. "They showed pictures of how the garden looked back in the 1950s, before it began to deteriorate. I wanted to be part of the effort to bring it back," recalls Lee, who quickly became a "charter volunteer."

As volunteer chair, one of Lee's most important jobs is to welcome newcomers and make them feel part of the group. She often phones first-time volunteers to invite them back for the next activity. Workdays are held on the third Saturday of each month from April through November.

Lee's dedication to the garden caught the attention of fellow volunteer Marc Zaharchuk, who nominated her to serve on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board about four years ago. "It's something I enjoy very much," says Lee. She notes that serving on the Board gives her a broad view of Philadelphia Green's work throughout the city. "It's just mind-boggling to see how much good work is being done in neighborhoods all over town."

Lee also volunteers at the Philadelphia Flower Show, putting in many hours at the Philadelphia Green exhibit and donning a pink apron as an "Infonet" volunteer, directing visitors and answering questions. Last year for the first time, she also worked at the PHS Shoppe at the Harvest Show.

But her first love is the Azalea Garden. Moving to the other end of town did nothing to dampen her enthusiasm for this lovely urban refuge. (Several other long-time volunteers even travel into the city from out of town to work in the garden.)



"I've learned so much about gardening along the way," Lee says, "but the biggest bonus is that I've made a lot of good friends. It's a volunteer job that I love. It's something I really look forward to." *–Jane Carroll*

VOLUNTEER AT CENTER CITY GARDEN SITES

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, through its Philadelphia Green program, helps to revitalize important public landscapes in Philadelphia's downtown area. Like so many other PHS efforts, these plantings depend on volunteers to keep them looking their best. Regularly scheduled gardening days are held from April through November at the following sites in Center City. Gardening days are re-scheduled in the event of heavy rain. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Joan Kapczynski at (215) 988-8865 or *jkapczyn@pennhort.org*

Philadelphia Museum of Art

Join the *Museum Green* volunteers on the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art on Saturday, May 17 and Saturday, October 4, 9 am–noon. We'll meet in the East Courtyard.

Azalea Garden

3rd Saturday of each month (9 am–noon)

Help maintain the lovely Azalea Garden, located directly behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art. The first garden-day is April 19. *[Note: the May workday is on the 10th, just before the Azalea Garden Party.]*

"Ribbon of Gold"

2nd Saturday of each month (8–11 am)

The Ribbon of Gold includes two sites—Eastern State Penitentiary and the median plantings along Spring Garden Street. For the Penitentiary, we'll meet at the main entrance on Fairmount Avenue near 21st Street. For Spring Garden Street, we'll meet at 19th & Spring Garden. The fun starts Saturday, April 12!

J. Gannon

Eastern State Penitentiary

Gas Station Garden

2nd Wednesday of each month (5:30–7 pm)

Come to 20th & Arch Streets, across from PHS Headquarters, and join Logan Square neighbors to help care for this sunny gem of a garden (on the site of a former gas station). We'll first meet on April 9. *[Note: the November workday is on Saturday the 15th at 9 am.]*

Pete Prown

Gas Station Garden

Triangle Garden

2nd Saturday of each month (9–10:30 am)

This buoyant garden just off the Vine Street expressway welcomes you to the Logan Square neighborhood. We'll meet on site at 23rd & Winter Streets (one block north of Race Street) for the first gardening day on April 12.

PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

We invite you to become a member of the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society by naming PHS as the beneficiary of your retirement or 401k plan.

Over the past year, we have explained various ways you can support the Society through your estate plans and become a member of the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society—through bequests, gift annuities, and charitable remainder trusts. Another option is to consider making a gift of your retirement assets.

Did you know that tax-deferred retirement plans like IRAs and 401k plans are the most tax-burdened assets you own? The combined federal, state and local income taxes and estate taxes due on a large plan can amount to 70% or more, leaving only a fraction of the plan's value for your heirs to enjoy.

Using retirement plan assets for charitable gifts in your estate plan can be a prudent choice. When PHS is named primary or secondary (after spouse) beneficiary, the assets avoid taxation and the full value of your retirement plan passes directly to the Society. Your retirement plan administrator can provide the appropriate forms.

If you are interested in learning more about making a gift of your retirement assets, please contact the Development office at (215) 988-8819 or *sbetts@pennhort.org*

CELEBRATING NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Over the winter, volunteer park groups from across the city gathered for the 6th annual **Party for the Parks** held by Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project. This event recognized and celebrated the dedication and efforts of hundreds of volunteers who have brought life to neighborhood parks throughout the city.

The Parks Revitalization Project is a partnership involving residents, the Department of Recreation, and Philadelphia Green. In just the past 10 years, this effort has grown from three parks to over 50.

Held at *Occasions by Galdos* in South Philadelphia, the party featured dinner and dancing, and the highlight was the recognition of terrific volunteers. "Volunteer of the Year" awards were handed out by 21 park groups to their outstanding representatives. And Distinguished Service Awards went to Department of Recreation employees Patrick Lamb and Tyrone Foster.

Park volunteers and Philadelphia Green also presented Recreation Commissioner Victor N. Richard III with a symbolic check for $802,500, representing the monetary value of the 50,000 documented hours of labor and service from volunteers in 2002. Those many hours were spent sweeping, painting, planting trees, organizing concerts and youth events, and so much more.

"The park groups and Department of Recreation staff give so much to the neighborhoods of Philadelphia," reflects Jeff Tober, Philadelphia Green's parks project manager. "This party was a way to thank and honor them, and build momentum towards an even better 2003." *– Paul Bonfanti*

PARTY FOR THE PARKS

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

SAVE THE DATE: THE AZALEA GARDEN PARTY

Thursday, May 15, 5:30 to 8:00 pm

The Azalea Garden is located along Kelly Drive behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Proceeds from the party help offset the garden's annual maintenance costs.

Tickets: $150 for benefactors; $100 for patrons; and $50 for the 35-and-under set. Children 12-and-under are welcome to attend free of charge with their parents or grandparents. For an invitation or more information, please contact Ellen Wheeler at (215) 988-8830 or email *ewheeler@pennhort.org*

SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Saturday, May 10:
Haddonfield, NJ area
Sunday, June 1:
Western Main Line, PA
Sunday, June 15:
Swarthmore/Media, PA area

The annual Spring Garden Visits are a wonderful benefit for PHS members. The Garden Visits allow access to a number of gardens in the spring; on each day, we'll visit about five to seven mostly private gardens from noon to 5 pm. Because the program is so popular, we limit the number of visitors, and members are required to pre-register. Registrants will be provided with descriptions and directions to the gardens and are free to visit as many as they wish in whatever order. Fee: $5 for members, $25 for PHS member guests.

Please use the form on page 5 to register. Directions and a brochure will be sent after registration is received. For more information, contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

VOLUNTEER FOR SPRING GARDEN VISITS

We are looking for volunteers to welcome PHS members to the exquisite private gardens of our Spring Garden Visits. Volunteers work two-hour shifts, from noon–2 pm, or 2–4 pm, and are invited to visit the other gardens open that day during the other shift. This is an ideal opportunity to see a very special garden close up, as well as meet and greet your fellow PHS members. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Chela Kleiber at (215) 988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

WORKSHOP

PROPAGATING PERENNIALS

Tuesday, April 1, 10 am–noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Increase your garden with wonderful, free plants. Some of the best varieties you can plant this spring are right in front of you, just waiting to be increased in number. By propagating perennials, you get more plants for your own garden, have some to give away to friends, and can share some of your favorite plants with fellow PHS members at the Plant Dividend in the fall.

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give an overview of the theories and techniques for propagating perennials in the spring. John will demonstrate the most common methods of propagation: stem and root cuttings and root division, as well as explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will have hand-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. Fee: $24 members; $29 non-members.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Five Sessions: Thursdays, April 3, 10, 17, 24 & May 1, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS Classroom

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor and have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of form, dimensionality, and "reality," this could be the class for you! This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen,** will include: mixing the colors of nature with a limited palette of six colors and making a color journal; learning specific exercises to create form and dimensionality; and discussion of watercolor brushes and paper. We will work from live specimens, initially using the simpler forms of fruits and vegetables. It is necessary to attend the first session of this five part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration.

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts-Philadelphia College of Arts and Design, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. Limit: 15. Fee: $135 members, $145 non-members.

MAKING A LIVING WREATH

Tuesday, April 22, 10 am – noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Nanci Walsh, horticulturist and retail manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate how to create an annual living wreath. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss, then plant annuals around the wreath. The finished product may be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or as a welcome wreath for your garden gate. Limit: 20. Fee: $55 members; $60 non-members.

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 23, 5:30–7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Przemek Walczak, horticulturist at Chanticleer, will discuss all aspects of pruning—from "should I?" to how and when. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning and the do's and don't's. Przemek will also talk about proper tools, their uses, and how to care for them, and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.

PLANTING A WINDOW BOX WITH ANNUALS

Tuesday, April 29, 10 am–noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

In this workshop, you will plant a window box with your choice of a wide range of colorful annuals to enhance your house and garden all summer long. **Nanci Walsh**, retail manager at Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce you to simple design principles and guide you through the process of planting and caring for your window box throughout the season. All materials, including window box and plants, are provided. Limit: 20. Fee: $55 for members, $60 for non-members.

DESIGNING YOUR CITY GARDEN

Two Sessions: Wednesdays, May 7 & 14, 6–8 pm
PHS Auditorium

Attention city gardeners! Do you feel daunted by the challenges of gardening in the city? This two-part workshop is especially designed for city gardeners, or gardeners working with small spaces, and it will lay the groundwork for creating your personal outdoor paradise.

In the first session, through case studies and general discussion, **Michael LoFurno** will examine the unique qualities of urban conditions, including poor soil, minimum light or shade, and water availability. He will look at the challenges of creating vistas when surrounded by walls of varying degrees of aesthetic appeal, as well as

how to manipulate space. You will also learn how to measure your property, make a scale drawing, and conduct a basic site analysis, which includes determining your light conditions, wind directions, basic soil type, and sight lines. In the second session, with the guidance of a professionally trained garden designer or landscape architect, you will work in small groups on your own garden design. Fee: $50 for members, $70 for non-members. Limit 25.

Michael LoFurno is a registered Landscape Architect who has been practicing in the Philadelphia area for 19 years. He is an accomplished gardener who has garnered awards from the National Council of Garden Clubs, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and the American Society of Landscape Architects. His own city garden has won numerous awards at PHS's City Gardens Contest.

EVENING LECTURE

THE PLEASURES AND PROBLEMS OF ROOFTOP GARDENING

Tuesday, April 29, 6:00 pm
PHS Auditorium

A rooftop garden may be the ultimate container garden, and against the backdrop of a breathtaking city skyline, it has the potential for drama and delight. Unique conditions—like strong winds, limited spaces, weight restrictions, prohibitive building codes and extreme temperature variations—can make rooftop gardening a challenge. **Jeff Mendoza** will share his years of experience overcoming these obstacles as he discusses and illustrates the rigors and rewards of creating a container garden paradise on the rooftops of Manhattan. Jeff Mendoza is the owner of J. Mendoza Gardens, Inc., which has created exceptional gardens since 1987. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

WALK

NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Thursday, April 24, 10 am–noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Karl Rider** will introduce and discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives to use for difficult garden conditions. The program includes a tour of the wildflower trail at Meadowbrook, with a special focus on native plants. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Propagating Perennials	4/1	Fee: $24/$29	_____	_____
☐ Botanical Illustration w/Watercolor	4/3–5/1	Fee: $135/$145	_____	_____
☐ Making a Living Wreath	4/22	Fee: $55/$60	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs	4/23	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Planting a Window Box with Annuals	4/29	Fee: $55/$60	_____	_____
☐ Designing Your City Garden	5/7, 5/14	Fee: $50/$70	_____	_____
☐ Rooftop Gardening	4/29	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/24	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Haddonfield	5/10	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Main Line	6/1	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Swarthmore/Media	6/15	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

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You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call (215) 988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call (215) 988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

JANE PEPPER RECEIVES AHS AWARD

Each year, The American Horticultural Society's (AHS) Great American Gardeners Awards Committee gives out several awards to outstanding contributors to horticulture. We are pleased to announce that PHS president Jane Pepper will receive the 2003 Liberty Hyde Bailey Award at a banquet in Washington D.C. in early April. The announcement of this award also appeared in the March/April issue of *The American Gardener* magazine.

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*The Kids Grow Expo is **open to the public:**
Tuesday, May 6, 3–5 pm
Wednesday, May 7, 9:30 am–3 pm
Thursday, May 8, 9:30 am–5 pm

For more information about the Kids Grow Expo, contact Flossie Narducci at (215) 988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*

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10 YEARS OF REMAKING NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

The year is 1993. Many of Philadelphia's neighborhoods suffer from economic decline, and the neighborhood parks show the effects dramatically. Parks that were intended as centers of community life have become havens for illegal activity. Children who should be playing in the parks are told to stay out of them—even in broad daylight. Trees that once provided shade and color are now too dangerous to walk under, lest a dead branch should fall. Residents refer to their local park as "Needle Park" or "The Dump."

Fast forward to 2003. Many of these same parks have made a remarkable comeback and are lifting up their surrounding communities. Barbecues, Arbor Day celebrations, festivals, plantings, memorial gatherings, and concerts fill the parks with new sounds of life. Children's laughter, adult conversation, spring colors and nature's beauty have all returned. Community groups team with government, businesses, foundations, and their neighborhoods to generate funding and support for the parks. An important link has been made between the improvement of parks and the wholesale transformation of neighborhoods.

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How has this transformation occurred in just 10 years? Working with the William Penn Foundation, Philadelphia Green launched the Parks Revitalization Project in 1993. Partnering with the Philadelphia Department of Recreation and community groups from around the city, the project began with three distressed community parks, helping neighbors create groups called "friends of the park" to serve as caretakers and advocates. Friends groups envisioned what they wanted their parks to be, and the partners began to make it happen.

Based on the initial success at the first three sites, the project quickly expanded. More parks came on board and more improvements—such as new playgrounds, pavillions, trees, and gardens—began to appear. The Recreation Department hired seasonal maintenance staff, complementing the volunteer efforts. In short, the parks became centers of neighborhood life again, bringing people from different backgrounds together and strengthening communities. Forty-five parks now participate in the project. These parks have a sense of pride and stewardship that is echoed in the words of Vicki Burks, a volunteer with Cliveden Park in Germantown: "This is ours and we want it to be beautiful."

As the Parks Revitalization Project marks its 10th anniversary, a host of efforts will continue throughout the year to maintain and increase the momentum, celebrating the accomplishments of the last 10 years—and looking forward to the next 10 years—of this innovative and powerful partnership.

– Paul Bonfanti and John Gannon

The Parks Revitalization Project is grateful for the generous support of the William Penn Foundation, Wallace-Reader's Digest Funds, National Recreation Foundation, Lincoln Financial Group Foundation, and Hooper Brothers.

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THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

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A Sense of Community

With more than 20 years of Philadelphia Flower Shows in my background, each one has its own special meaning and poignancy. This year, I was so pleased with the strong connections between the Show and the work we have been doing in Philadelphia neighborhoods over the past three decades with Philadelphia Green.

When Ed Lindemann, Shows director and designer, started working on *Festival de las Flores*, he knew he wanted to incorporate a celebration or a festival into his design. Luckily, one of our staff members who has worked for more than a decade with the Norris Square Neighborhood Project directed him to Iris Brown, one of our very creative and active community gardeners. In her youth, Iris had lived in Loiza, a town in Puerto Rico with several annual street festivals.

Over the next two years, Ed and Iris spent hours and hours planning together. "For me," said Iris as she looked at the Show just before opening, "this is a dream come true. Every minute of every day we celebrate our culture in our own community, and through the Flower Show, we have been able to share that culture."

PHS is all about creating a sense of community through horticulture, and I believe there's no better place to witness this creation than at the Flower Show. Among our exhibitors we have the experienced and the novice, the former always willing to help the latter in the interests of nurturing up-and-coming exhibitors.

And within the ranks of the volunteers, we find every kind of skill. One day I am amazed at the passionate horticulturist who works as a passer in the Horticourt in early morning, at midday gives a lecture and in the evening takes a turn in the Hort Information Booth. The next I am taken with the bank manager who uses her well-developed people skills to help that very-hard-to-satisfy visitor.

The Flower Show is truly a community in itself, and this year it felt like a wonderfully diverse community, all connected through horticulture.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS president

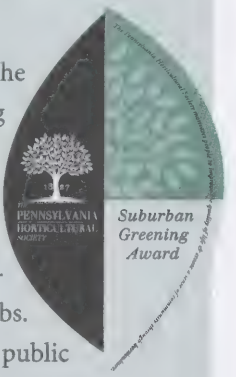
PLANNING A GIFT TO PHS

Within the next several weeks, you will receive a letter asking you to support the PHS Annual Fund. I hope you will consider making a gift this year. While membership fees and Flower Show revenues provide important sources of funding for the Society and its programs, they cannot do the job alone. Annual Fund gifts enable PHS to carry out its mission to *motivate people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.*

As a member of PHS, you have demonstrated your interest in horticulture; an additional gift beyond your membership dues will help ensure that our programs remain vibrant and strong and continue to have a positive impact on our city and region. Your contribution will be greatly appreciated.

– Suzanne Betts
Development Manager

PHS SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS



Now in its fourth year, the PHS Suburban Greening Awards reach out to suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware to recognize the beauty and value of public-space plantings in the suburbs. Nominations are accepted for public parks, main street planters, church gardens, train stations, municipal grounds, and other public plantings outside the city limits.

The Suburban Greening Awards single out sites and volunteer groups that deserve PHS recognition. Each group receives a framed certificate and a sign to display at their garden. **If you know of a public space planting in suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, or Delaware that should be recognized by PHS, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or email *specialevents@pennhort.org*. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2003.**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: BERNICE MURPHY

If you've spent any time browsing for PHS mugs, t-shirts and floral note cards at the Flower Show Shoppe, chances are you've run into Bernice Murphy. Bernice has been a fixture around the Flower Show for many years, and she has been working at the Shoppe for the last three. When you visit the Flower Show Shoppe, you'll find Bernice instructing a new volunteer, searching for a small t-shirt, directing a visitor to an exhibit, pointing out the special features of PHS, and doing it all with a warm smile.

Bernice first got involved with PHS when she answered an advertisement in a local newspaper for Flower Show volunteers. She started out helping to run the Information Booth (what is now the "Infonet"), back when the Flower Show was held at the Civic Center. She ran the Infonet for about three years before switching to the Shoppe, where she got involved in the many details of merchandising, including staffing. She has managed the scheduling of more than 200 volunteers.

"Loving merchandise as I do," Bernice observes, "working at the Shoppe is a good fit. Plus, you get to see everybody and everything that goes on at the Show. It's a marvelous experience."

"She's there practically every day. I couldn't do it without her," says Rosemary McGeary, PHS merchandising manager. "This past year, we decided to finally get her some help." There is now a team called the Shoppe Special Team (or the "Shoppettes"), and Bernice is an integral part of the group as chair of Shoppe volunteers. Throughout the year, the team helps with volunteer staffing, checking and ticketing merchandise, taking inventory, and Shoppe setup and dismantling.

"What I love best about working with other volunteers is the fact that they come from such varied backgrounds, and yet everyone has something to contribute," says Bernice. "Each job has its own place in the web of things." *–Jane Carroll*

2003 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW MAJOR AWARDS

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show
Landscape: Stoney Bank Nurseries
Floral Design: Lamsback Floral Decorators
By Invitation: Meadowbrook Farm
Academic Educational: Temple University Department of Landscape Architecture and Horticulture
Nonacademic Educational: U.S. EPA Region III
Nonprofit Display: Zoological Society of Philadelphia

The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. Silver Trophy
The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc. for "Street Festival"

Alfred M. Campbell Memorial Trophy
Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc. for "The Journey Home"

The Mayor's Trophy
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc. for "Squash Blocks"

The Governor's Trophy
Flagg's Garden Center for "Return to Paradise"

The Philadelphia Trophy
Lamsback Floral Decorators for "Shangri-La"

The PHS Council Trophy
Daniel G. Kepich & Associates for "Back Street Eclectic"

PHS Garden Trophy
The Siblings for "Saint John's Eve"

PHS Trophy (Entryways)
Entryways: Moorestown Garden Club for "The Beans Are In!"
Container Display: Spade & Trowel Club of Kennett Square for "Enriching Our World"

Chicago Horticultural Society Flower Show Medal
Stoney Bank Nurseries for "Natural Patterns – The Arts & Crafts Garden"

The Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association Trophies
Entryway: Moorestown Garden Club
Garden: The Siblings

Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal
The Siblings

The American Horticultural Society Citation
U.S. EPA Region III for "Vereda de Maravillas"

Bulkley Medal of the Garden Club of America
Temple University for "Graywater Garden"

Men's Garden Club of Delaware Valley Trophy
J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc., for "A Day in the Park"

Society of American Florists Flower Show Award
Lamsback Floral Decorators

The Phyllis M. Craig Award
Designs in Bloom for "Caliente – a Salsa Luxe Lounge"

The Emile H. Geschick Memorial Award
Robertson's for Loiza Central Feature

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue ribbon winner in the Miniature Arrangement classes
Laura T. Philip

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue ribbon winner in the Pressed Plant Material classes
Luidmila Beletskaya

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue ribbon winner in Miniature Settings class
Nancy and John Grube for "Celebration Day"

PHS Room Trophy
Garden Club of Philadelphia for "A Bedouin Wedding Night"

Jack Kellmer Company Award (Table class)
Wayne Woods Garden Club for "Café 'Los Espiritus'"

The Margaret Biddle Bright Award (large niche)
Wilfreta Baugh

Nancy Reid Clausen Award (medium niche)
Anne Coste

The Carolyn Waite Award (small niche)
Laura T. Philip

The PHS Trophy (defined and open space classes)
Julie Lapham/Anne Elwell

The Helen Hope Dechert Award to the outstanding blue ribbon exhibit in the Niche Classes
Wilfreta Baugh

PHS Trophy to the outstanding blue ribbon winner in the Designs for Jewelry classes
Emilie Lapham

Sweepstakes

PHS Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (individual runner-up)
Sylvia Lin

Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (individual)
Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy
Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society

Sarah C. Z. Groome Award (individual)
W. Eugene Burkhart, Jr.

The Rosemarie P. Vassalluzzo Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy
Wissahickon Garden Club

Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award
Wissahickon Garden Club

The PHS Grand Sweepstakes
Alice Farley

ATTENTION CITY GARDENERS! ENTER THE 2003 CITY GARDENS CONTEST

Be a Contestant:

If you garden in Philadelphia, you qualify to enter the City Gardens Contest. Amateur gardeners compete in a number of different categories from flower to vegetable to container gardens. **Just fill out the form below and mail to: City Gardens Contest, PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103 by June 10.** Good luck!

Win Great Prizes

Winners receive $50, $25, and $10 gift certificates. All winners receive a one-year membership to The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

Be a Judge:

Spend a July day visiting gardens as large as a city block or as tiny as a backyard patio, and help choose the winners! (Note: you do not have to be a Philadelphia resident to be a judge.)

June 10 is the deadline to become a judge or to enter as a contestant. For more information, please contact Flossie Narducci, at 215-988-8897 or send an email to *specialevents@pennhort.org*

City Gardens Contest Entry Form

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Name: _____

Address: _____

Address of garden: _____

Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____

Email: _____

Check appropriate category:

Individual Gardens
- ☐ Individual Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Flower Garden
- ☐ Combination Flower/Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Container Garden
- ☐ Child's Garden

Community Gardens
- ☐ Community Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Community Flower/Sitting Garden
- ☐ Combination Vegetable/Flower Garden
- ☐ Children's Garden
- ☐ "Garden Block" with window boxes and sidewalk planters
- ☐ "The Greenest Block in Town" (street trees/front yards)

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

NEIGHBORHOOD GARDENS ASSOCIATION'S FIRST ANNUAL GREEN CITY MONTH

The Neighborhood Gardens Association/A Philadelphia Land Trust (NGA) announces the first annual *Green City Month* in June 2003. NGA, in cooperation with the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and the Penn State Urban Gardening Program, is planning a series of workshops, tours, and related events highlighting Philadelphia's green treasures.

The events celebrate the 24 land-trusted community gardens and will raise awareness about the importance of community green space in Philadelphia's neighborhoods. For a complete listing of Green City Month activities, please check the NGA website at *www.ngalandtrust.org* or call Margot Berg or Terry Mushovic 215-988-8797 for a calendar of events.

CORPORATE PARTNER PROGRAMS

Flower Show corporate sponsors PNC and Subaru have provided special offers this year that may be of interest to PHS members.

PNC introduced its Flower Show check card this March for new and current **PNC Bank** customers. PNC will make a donation to PHS for every card that is issued. The Flower Show check card may be purchased for $10 at PNC Bank branches. For more information, please visit your local PNC branch or call 1-877-CALL-PNC.

Full Members and above (Full, Sustaining, Contributing, Sponsoring, 1827 Society) are eligible for the **Subaru** VIP Partners Program in support of PHS. Save up to $3,000* off the manufacturer's suggested retail price—depending on model and equipment selected—on the purchase or lease of any new Subaru from participating dealers. To qualify, you must be a Member in one of the above categories for at least six months prior to purchase. Subaru will make a donation to PHS for every car purchased through this exclusive special offer.

Very Important: Please contact PHS before contacting your local Subaru dealer. PHS will verify your current membership status with Subaru, who will then mail you the appropriate authorization form. Please call PHS at 215-988-1622 if you have questions, or register online at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*

**From manufacturer's suggested retail price to dealer invoice. Limited time offer—subject to change without notice. Terms and conditions apply.*

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS

Thursday, June 5, 6–8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Peter Brindle** will discuss the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Gold Medal Plants growing at Chanticleer. A garden walk and slide presentation will introduce you to these excellent plants, which are ideal for growing in the Delaware Valley. Limit: 24. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.

THE MIXED BORDER

Tuesday, June 17, 6–8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

The garden border need not be restricted to just one kind of plant when a mixture of annuals, perennials, bulbs, shrubs and vines can create such a rich tapestry. Join horticulturist **Joe Henderson** as he discusses the mixed border using the gardens at Chanticleer as a backdrop. Joe will highlight exciting color combinations, offer tips on planning for all-season interest, and discuss interplanting techniques in a variety of cultural conditions. Fee: $18 for members, $23 for non-members. Limit 24.

IN THE GARDEN

FOCUS ON ROSES

Saturday, June 7, 10 am–12 noon
Bryn Mawr, PA

Join garden designer **Fran Sorin** on a tour of her garden as she explains how, over a 10-year period, she has incorporated roses seamlessly into her garden. Sorin will dispel the myth that roses are difficult. She'll discuss the basics of how to select the right roses for the right location, how to care for roses organically in Zone 6 (fertilizing, watering, pruning, and mulching) and how to make sure their beauty stands out within your herbaceous borders.

Fran Sorin is the owner of Fran Sorin Garden Designs LLC. She is also the gardening expert for *iVillage.com*, hosts a weekly call-in gardening show on TheBigTalker 1210AM, writes for *USA Weekend* and has appeared on NBC's *Weekend Today* show, as well as other television shows. Sorin's first book, *Digging Deep: Unearthing Your Creative Roots through Gardening*, is being published by Warner Books in Spring 2004. For more information on Sorin, visit her website, *www.fransorin.com*. Limit 18. Fee: $20 members, $27 non-members.

WORKSHOPS

DESIGNING YOUR CITY GARDEN

Two Sessions: Wednesdays, May 7 & 14, 6–8 pm
PHS Auditorium

Attention city gardeners! Do you feel daunted by the challenges of gardening in the city? This two-part workshop is especially designed for city gardeners, or gardeners working with small spaces, and it will lay the groundwork for creating your personal outdoor paradise.

In the first session, through case studies and general discussion, **Michael LoFurno** will examine the special

SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Saturday, May 10:
Haddonfield, NJ area
Sunday, June 1:
Western Main Line, PA
Sunday, June 15:
Swarthmore/Media, PA area

The annual Spring Garden Visits are a wonderful benefit for PHS members. The Garden Visits allow access to a number of gardens in the spring; on each day, we'll visit about five to seven mostly private gardens from noon to 5 pm. Because the program is so popular, we limit the number of visitors, and members are required to pre-register. Registrants will be provided with descriptions and directions to the gardens and are free to visit as many as they wish in whatever order. Fee: $5 for members, $25 for PHS member guests.

Please use the form on page 5 to register. Directions and a brochure will be sent after registration is received. For more information, contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*.

VOLUNTEER FOR SPRING GARDEN VISITS

We are looking for volunteers to welcome PHS members to the exquisite private gardens of our Spring Garden Visits. Volunteers work two-hour shifts, from noon to 2 pm, or 2 to 4 pm, and are invited to visit the other gardens open that day during the other shift. This is an ideal opportunity to see a very special garden close up, as well as meet and greet your fellow PHS members. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*.

conditions of urban gardens, including poor soil, minimum light or shade, and water availability. He will look at the challenges of creating vistas when surrounded by walls of varying degrees of aesthetic appeal, as well as how to manipulate space. You will also learn how to measure your property, make a scale drawing, and conduct a basic site analysis, which includes determining your light conditions, wind directions, basic soil type, and sight lines. In the second session, with the guidance of a professionally trained garden designer or landscape architect, you will work in small groups on your own garden design. Fee: $50 for members, $70 for non-members. Limit 25.

Michael LoFurno is a registered Landscape Architect who has been practicing in the Philadelphia area for 19 years. He is an accomplished gardener who has won awards from the National Council of Garden Clubs, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, and the American Society of Landscape Architects. His own city garden has won numerous awards at PHS's City Gardens Contest.

WATER GARDEN CONTAINERS

Tuesday, June 10, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Focussing on the cultivation of *Sarracenia* species, **Karl Rider** of Meadowbrook Farm will share his experience growing pitcher plants in containers. Suitable for small gardens or patios, you will create these fully hardy, novelty combo pots in this hands-on workshop. The fee includes a 14" container, planting medium and three plants. Decorative containers and additional plants will also be available for purchase. Limit 20. Fee: $40 for members, $45 for non-members.

DEMONSTRATION

PRUNING TECHNIQUES

Tuesday, June 11, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Using the private gardens of **J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.** as an outdoor classroom, horticulturist **Ted Zoltowski** will demonstrate hand pruning tips and techniques. Ted will show how to prune formal hedges, topiary and espalier, and discuss his favorite tools for specialized pruning. He will provide a hands-on example of espalier. Bring your clippers if you would like to participate. Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members; $20 non-members.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Gold Medal Plants	6/5	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ The Mixed Border	6/17	Fee: $18/$25	_____	_____
☐ Focus on Roses	6/7	Fee: $20/$27	_____	_____
☐ Designing Your City Garden	5/7, 5/14	Fee: $50/$70	_____	_____
☐ Water Garden Containers	6/10	Fee: $40/$45	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Techniques	6/11	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Haddonfield	5/10	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Main Line	6/1	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Swarthmore/Media	6/15	Fee: $5/$25	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

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Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

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Attn: Program Activities
100 N. 20th St., 5th floor
Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call 215-988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

A MESSAGE FROM JANE PEPPER REGARDING THE HARVEST SHOW

PHS is an organization with multiple programs, events and activities, and our board of directors, the Council, periodically considers whether the things we do effectively meet our mission and the needs of our members. In developing our last Long Range Plan, completed in 1999, and in detailed conversations over the past year, management has looked closely at the Harvest Show. After much discussion, the Council approved management's recommendation not to hold the Harvest Show in the future. This year, the Harvest Show was scheduled to be held from September 12–14, at the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park.

Our reasons are many. For several years, attendance at the Harvest Show has been declining, despite extensive efforts to promote attendance to our members and also to the general public. In surveys, members and others mentioned the challenges related to the Harvest Show location, which has limited parking and is especially hard to reach for those who use public transportation. In recent years, we studied alternative locations, but none provided convenient transportation in a location that was both amenable for the Harvest Show and affordable for PHS. Surveys showed that another reason for the reduced attendance has been the increased number of activities and alternative programs available to area residents on fall weekends, and especially for those with children, who we had identified as a target audience. Those few weekends between Labor Day and the onset of cold weather seem to be among the busiest of the year. Participation in the Show has also declined as fewer people cultivate vegetable gardens, whose produce was once a highlight of the Harvest Show.

These are challenging economic times, when PHS resources must be carefully allocated to be sure we are supporting programs that best meet our mission. PHS Council and staff members have taken this step only after serious consideration knowing that the Harvest Show has been an annual tradition that some of our members have enjoyed over the years.

For the past few years, we have held the Members' Plant Dividend at the Harvest Show. We plan to continue this event and will provide you with details in the next *PHS News*.

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PHS WILL DEVELOP OPEN SPACE PLAN FOR CENTER CITY PHILADELPHIA

In 1682, William Penn envisioned Philadelphia as a Green Countrie Towne, in contrast to the crowded, unhealthy cities of seventeenth-century Europe. Today, many of Penn's originally designed green spaces still exist in Center City Philadelphia, such as the four "squares"—Rittenhouse Square, Washington Square, Logan Square (now Logan Circle), and Franklin Square—while new ones, like the Azalea Garden, have since been added. Green spaces like these contribute enormously to the quality of life in the city.

Today, various public and private entities—often acting independently of each other—have responsibility over these downtown spaces. Until now, there has been no comprehensive plan for developing them in a coordinated way.

That's why the **Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Philadelphia Green program** recently called for the creation of an "**Open Space Development Plan for Center City Philadelphia**." The plan will sketch a broad, dynamic vision for Philadelphia's downtown green spaces and will be used to advocate for future investment in open space as a critical part of Center City's continuing revitalization. It will promote open space as an important means to not only enhance city life, but also to attract new residents, encourage business investment, boost tourism and establish a national reputation for downtown Philadelphia as a green, inviting place to live, work, or visit.

Kathryn Newland, associate director of Philadelphia Green, says the aim is to "come up with a broad, integrated vision for redesigning and improving open space in Center City, looking at what we have to work with, what's missing, and what needs to be done to make the most of the opportunities out there."

Lager Raabe Skafte Landscape Architects, Inc. has been chosen to prepare the Open Space Plan, which will be funded by **The Pew Charitable Trusts**. The firm will identify development opportunities that are actively underway, as well as those that have been proposed and potential new ones, identifying key projects and setting priorities for their implementation. Other work team members include Fairmount Ventures, Inc.; Brown & Keener Urban Design; and the Melior Group.

The landscape architects will work with an advisory group consisting of representatives from various organizations that currently manage the city's green places. These include the **Fairmount Park Commission**, **Center City District**, **the Managing Director's Office**, and **the Philadelphia Planning Commission**, among others.

"We hope the Open Space Plan will not only imagine what can make Center City look really great," says Newland, "but also will identify concrete steps for making that vision a reality."

For more than 15 years, PHS's Philadelphia Green program has been promoting the benefits of a greener downtown environment, as well as higher standards in the development and management of Center City open space. Philadelphia Green has rehabilitated a number of highly visible public landscapes, including the Azalea Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, John F. Kennedy Boulevard (between 20th Street and 30th Street Station), and the 26th Street Gateway from the airport.

Pete Prown

John F. Kennedy Boulevard

John Gannon

The Azalea Garden

MEMBERS' FALL PARTY AND PLANT DIVIDEND

September 13, 11 am – 6 pm

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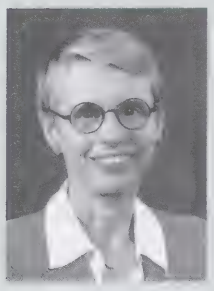
Making a Difference in Center City



I've always been grateful to live in a climate with distinct seasons. I love the winter, when I can take a break from the weeds and watering and dream big about how the garden will look next year. And how about spring this year? It was the best—with rain and cool temperatures so the blossoms hung on and on. Even the magnolias put on a real show of pink, purple and white instead of a flash of bright colors followed by dreary brown frosted blossoms.

One day in May, I could not have been more pleased when I received a call from an old friend who was driving down 26th Street, a route he hadn't taken for several years. He was on his way to the airport and called to say how much he appreciated the plantings the Society had installed, starting more than a decade ago, along 26th Street, beside the oil storage tanks. Rob Wonderling, now a State Senator, was on the staff of the Penjerdel Council in the 1990s, so he saw our plans to turn a mile of trash, billboards and weeds into a landscaped parkway. As much as he wanted to see this site improved, Rob doubted we could ever achieve our dreams. "You did it," he said on the phone recently. "What a difference."

Horticulture can make a difference, and I hope, as you spend time in Philadelphia this summer, you will visit some of the landscapes PHS has installed and now maintains. Drive into the city along 26th Street and also along John F. Kennedy Boulevard. The plantings are not sophisticated, but they compare very favorably to the tons of rubbish we took out of these areas before planting. Another site for which we have responsibility, at the request of the Interstate Land Management Corporation, is the 28 acres of land that run alongside I-95 as it goes through Philadelphia. And we also oversee the plantings at Penn's Landing, with funding from the Penn's Landing Corporation.

When you are at the Philadelphia Museum of Art, look at the landscape in the courtyard and on the ramparts, then walk down to the Azalea Garden. PHS planted and maintains these sites in collaboration with the Fairmount Park Commission and the Museum, and we greatly appreciate these associations. As you know from your own gardens, creating a garden is one thing; maintenance is something else.

On the front page, you'll find news of an ambitious effort to create a coordinated plan for making the best of Center City's open spaces. PHS takes pride in the role it plays as the guardian of these green spaces and I hope you, as members, do too.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

McLEAN LIBARY HAPPENINGS

Horticultural Speakers List Available

The McLean Library of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has compiled a list of individuals who lecture to groups on gardening and related topics. To request a copy of the list, please contact Janet Evans at *jevans@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8779.

Save the Date

McLean Library Book Sale

Thursday, October 16

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale, to be held Thursday, October 16 in the library. New gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices will be available at this sale. The Library welcomes book donations for this event. For more information and to make donations, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at 215-988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org*

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MEMBERS' FALL PARTY AND PLANT DIVIDEND

September 13, 11 am – 6 pm

Circle Saturday, September 13 on your calendar, and save the date for a fun-filled, special fall party for PHS members.

This members-only gathering will include music, refreshments, timely demonstrations on horticultural topics, and display and sales of PHS Gold Medal plants—plus the ever popular **Annual Plant Dividend**. You will also have an opportunity to renew your membership and receive a special gift.

The Fall Members' Party will take place **at the Philadelphia Naval Yard** (now called the Philadelphia Naval Business Center), with ample free parking, access by public transportation, and easy access from I-95 and Broad Street. Don't miss this opportunity to explore this interesting site, formerly closed to visitors.

Invitations will be mailed in late summer, along with a full list of enjoyable activities planned just for you.

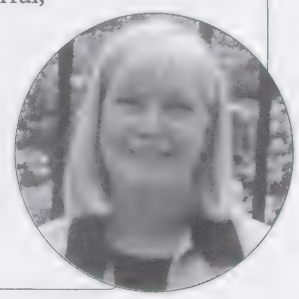
IN THE SPOTLIGHT: MELINDA MORITZ

Melinda Moritz has been a member of the PHS membership committee for more than 10 years, a role she thoroughly enjoys. "There are great people on the committee," she says. "We help out with PHS events throughout the year. We also make a point of welcoming new members and making sure they understand all the benefits of membership." For several years, Melinda was a familiar face at the membership booth at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Though she keeps a garden at home, Melinda describes herself as more of a floral arranger. Through her garden club (Green Countrie Garden Club), she began to exhibit her arrangements in the niche classes at the Flower Show. She eventually became a class advisor, then vice chair and chair of the niche classes.

These days, she serves as chair of the Flower Show Competitive Classes, overseeing all the competitive class committees and functioning as a liaison between PHS and the exhibitors. "I love it," says Melinda, who also serves on the Flower Show Executive Committee. "The people are wonderful, and they come together to do something they all love so much. It's a lot of fun."

"I think the thing I like best about volunteering for PHS is sharing a common interest with other people," she continues. "There's a lot of camaraderie, both with the staff and with other volunteers. It's like being part of a very large family."



FROM PRISON TO PARADISE: PHILADELPHIA GREEN HELPS RECREATE A SCHOOL LANDSCAPE

Who would ever think of describing an elementary school as a prison? Yet that's how some people saw the McKinley School in eastern North Philadelphia, with its gray walls, chain link fencing, and asphalt playground. Debora Carrera, McKinley's principal, explains, "People understand that great things happen inside, but you would never know that by looking at the school's exterior."

As part of the School District of Philadelphia's Campus Park Initiative, the grounds of McKinley School are undergoing a major transformation. Through this initiative, Philadelphia Green developed a master plan for a new landscape at McKinley. Guided by a committee of students, teachers, staff, residents and local community organizations, the master plan calls for enhancements at the school's main entrances, a new playground, teaching gardens, murals and an outdoor performance space.

John Gannon

The project's collaborative spirit attracted the interest of the Eagles Youth Partnership and the Philadelphia Department of Recreation's Mural Arts Program (MAP). To "kick off" the project, Eagles players and staff held a day of community service at the school on June 5. They built a new playground, painted murals, made a mosaic bench, and created an outdoor classroom—all part of Philadelphia Green's master plan. Two teaching gardens, to be complete by the end of the summer, will be created through MAP's Mural Corp teen program, also in partnership with Philadelphia Green. Other major improvements by the School District are scheduled for this fall.

For Carrera, this project is "amazing, an experience of a lifetime. The collaboration involves a lot of flexibility, patience and commitment," she says. "But the end result will be a transformation of the school grounds from prison to paradise, creating a place where kids, families and employees enjoy coming together and being part of the neighborhood."

– Carl Haefner, Philadelphia Green Project Manager

John Gannon

Above: a football fan gets an Eagle's autograph; left/top: students planting in the raised beds in front of McKinley School; left/bottom: Philadelphia Eagles staff, supervised by George Ely & Associates and Playword Systems, help construct the new playground.

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN: COLOR IN THE GARDEN

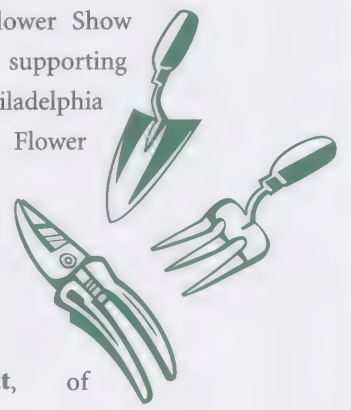
Monday, July 14, 7–8 pm
Lovett Memorial Library

Join us for an illustrated talk by **Toni Anne Flanigan** on enhancing the garden with color throughout the seasons. Examples of color themes and unusual color combinations will be included. Toni Ann Flanigan, owner of Philadelphia Gardens, is a specialist in the design, installation and maintenance of urban gardens.

This free workshop is geared for city gardeners, but is open to all. **The Lovett Memorial Library is located at 6945 Germantown Avenue in the Mount Airy section of Philadelphia.** For more information, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or *mreynolds@pennhort.org.*

Funded by the William Penn Foundation, the Philadelphia Green City Gardening Series was created to increase the know-how of novice and experienced gardeners alike. Workshops will be held in various city neighborhoods in partnership with community organizations.

COMMUNITY GARDENERS RECEIVE TOOL DONATION FROM FLORIAN RATCHET-CUT



The Philadelphia Flower Show plays a vital role in supporting PHS's work through Philadelphia Green, and this year, a Flower Show Marketplace vendor has provided further assistance to city gardeners.

Florian Ratchet-Cut, of Plantsville, Connecticut has donated a variety of gardening tools to PHS's Philadelphia Green program for its "Growing Community Gardeners Initiative." Through this effort, Philadelphia Green offers support to selected groups whose gardens play a vital role in their communities.

Philadelphia Green works with the groups to conduct horticultural and group communication workshops, and organizes trips to community gardens in New York City. Many thanks to Florian Ratchet-Cut for its contribution.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

WOODY PLANTS CONFERENCE

Friday, July 18, 2003
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College

Register early for this year's exciting Conference on Woody Plants. Speakers include **Susan Barton**, extension specialist at the University of Delaware in the plant and soil science department; **Tim Boland**, curator at the Polly Hill Arboretum on Martha's Vineyard; **Rick Darke**, widely published author, photographer, lecturer and design consultant; **Heidi Hesselein**, an accomplished gardener, landscaper, and grower who, with her husband, started Pleasant Run Nurseries in Allentown, New Jersey in 2001; **John Hillier**, president of Hillier Nurseries in Hampshire, United Kingdom; **Pat McCracken**, owner of McCracken's Nursery in Zebulon, North Carolina and curator of the magnolia collection at the J. C. Raulston Arboretum in Raleigh; **E. Thomas Smiley**, an arboriculture researcher at the Bartlett Tree Research Lab in Charlotte, North Carolina; and **Angela Treadwell-Palmer**, manager of Chicagoland Grows®, Inc.

The Woody Plants Conference is co-sponsored by Longwood Gardens, Inc.; the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania; the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society; the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and the Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

For registration information, please call the continuing education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000 ext. 507.

John Gannon

Chionanthus virginicus (White Fringetree)

EVENING LECTURE

TREE INSECT AND DISEASE IDENTIFICATION

Wednesday, July 16, 6–8 pm
PHS Auditorium

Join **Lisa Blum** for a lecture and discussion about pests, diseases, and environmental stresses that can play havoc on your landscapes, street trees, and gardens. She will also tell you what is hot for the 2003 season, what to watch out for, and how to manage problems using the least toxic methods. She'll also discuss the threat posed by the Asian long-horned beetle. Bring your own specific plant patients and questions, and Lisa will try to diagnose them.

Lisa Blum is a plant pathologist from Temple University-Ambler. She teaches plant pathology and tree pathology at Temple and consults on plant problems for parks, city agencies, tree and landscape services, and homeowners. **FREE.**

Note: The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 this evening. The lecture will be followed by a reception with light refreshments.

WALKS

BOG AND MARGINAL PLANTS

Tuesday, July 22, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Here's a special opportunity to come behind the scenes at Meadowbrook Farm to see a water garden in the early stages of development. Horticulturist **Karl Rider** will lead a walking tour and discuss aspects of planning, site preparation and planting. Special attention will be paid to the construction of the bog, which hosts several species of *Sarracenia* and other bog denizens. Good walking shoes and the ability to navigate a steep grade are necessary. Fee: $15 for members, $20 for non-members. Limit 25.

DROUGHT-TOLERANT PLANTING

Wednesday, July 23, 6–8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

After last year's drought, tough plants have gained new respect for the key role they play in many of our gardens. Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** for a walk around Chanticleer to take a look at some of the plants that keep going when the going gets tough. Wet and poor soils will also be considered. This is not a beauty contest—although these plants are not unattractive. More importantly, they will not let you down. Fee: $18 for members, $23 for non-members. Limit 24.

GARDEN MAINTENANCE

Tuesday, July 29, 6–8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Grooming is as important with plants as it is with people! Achieve optimum performance from your bulbs, perennials, annuals and shrubs and learn how soil pH, soil conditions and the timing of your activities can make or break the outcome. Come see how it works. Join assistant horticulturist **Janet Hall** in perusing the various garden areas at Chanticleer as she discusses techniques of garden maintenance. Fee: $18 for members, $23 for non-members. Limit 24.

PLANTS FOR THE POND'S EDGE

Tuesday, August 5, 6–8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Joe Henderson, horticulturist at Chanticleer, will devote this program to plants that like "wet feet." We'll tour the pond area and walk the path along the stream to learn about marginal plants that tolerate wet conditions, as well as aquatic plants, such as waterlilies, which must be completely submerged to thrive. Joe will discuss ways to use moisture-loving plants to soften the pond's edge and incorporate the pond into the surrounding landscape. Limit: 24. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.

GARDENING FOR BUTTERFLIES

Thursday, August 7, 6–8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Laura Aiken** as she focuses on how you can bring the color and motion to your garden that butterflies bring to the pleasure garden, Chanticleer. Judicious plant selection and maintenance techniques will be addressed in detail. Fee: $18 for members, $23 for non-members. Limit 24.

IN THE GARDEN

MY MARVELOUS MEADOW — MOWING NO MORE!

Wednesday, August 13, 6–8 pm
Honeybrook, PA

This walking tour takes place at England's Herb Farm, in Honeybrook, PA in an established meadow garden at the height of its seasonal late-summer beauty. **Yvonne England**, owner of England's Herb Farm and the creator of this lovely site, will discuss site selection, planting, designing a meadow with herbaceous plants, soil types, plant selection, site preparation, installation, and seasonal maintenance techniques. You will get a plant list and hear war stories to guide you if you would like to try to create your own meadow—on whatever scale you can manage.

Driving directions will be mailed with your confirmation. Limit 25. Fee: $18 for members; $23 for non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

ORCHIDS ARE DIFFERENT BUT NOT DIFFICULT!

Thursday, August 7, 12 noon–1 pm
PHS Auditorium

By popular demand! **Walter Off** of Waldor Orchids will present an overview of orchid varieties that are easy and rewarding for you to grow at home. He will bring examples of enticing, must-have specimens and discuss maintenance techniques to turn you into an orchid expert.

Walt is co-owner, with his brother, Bill, of Waldor Orchids in Linwood, NJ. Waldor Orchids was established in 1925 and is one of the oldest exhibitors at the Philadelphia Flower Show, having exhibited there since the 1930s. Walt has been growing orchids all his life and is an accredited American Orchid Society judge. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

Rob Ikeler

SAVE THE DATES FOR TWO GARDEN DAY-TRIPS

- Bus trip to visit gardens in **Avalon, NJ**
  Wednesday, September 17

- Bus trip for a guided tour of the dramatic sculpture garden at **Storm King Art Center in Mountainville, NY**
  Wednesday, October 8

For more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Tree Insect and Disease Identification	7/16	FREE	_____	_____
☐ Bog and Marginal Plants	7/22	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Drought-Tolerant Planting	7/23	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Garden Maintenance	7/29	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Plants for the Pond's Edge	8/5	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Gardening for Butterflies	8/7	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Orchids are Different but Not Difficult!	8/7	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ My Marvelous Meadow—Mowing No More!	8/13	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

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Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

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Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

PHS
Attn: Program Activities
100 N. 20th St., 5th floor
Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call 215-988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

CHALLENGE CLASSES FOR 2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Challenge Classes have been announced for the 2004 Flower Show. If you would like to compete in the Horticulture Classes, why not try growing one of these special plants? Plants are priced at $5 each and may be picked up beginning Wednesday, September 17 until Tuesday, September 30, 2003. Pick up plants at PHS headquarters, 100 North 20th Street, Shows department, 2nd floor. For more information, please contact the Shows department at 215-988-8800.

Plants for 2004

Korean Rock Fern (*Polystichum tsus-simense*)
Philodendron 'Prince of Orange'
African Violet (*Saintpaulia* sp.)

SPECIAL FLOWER ARRANGING PROGRAM IN OCTOBER

October 24,
time to be confirmed

Reflecting the keen interest in the art of floral arranging in the Delaware Valley, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society continues to bring outstanding, internationally renowned arrangers to the region.

Don't miss the opportunity to see **Mit Ingelaere** of Belgium, who will present a floral demonstration at the Philadelphia Museum of Art on October 24.

Look for more details, including announcement of a special hands-on workshop, in the next issue of *PHS News*. (*Note: If you would like to receive an invitation but were not on our list for the van Rems program, held last November, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or bgullan@pennhort.org*)

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COME TO PHS MEMBERS APPRECIATION DAY!

Saturday, September 13
Philadelphia Naval Business Center
11 am – 6 pm

To say "Thank You" to all of our wonderful members, PHS will host a Members Appreciation Day on **September 13 from 11 am to 6 pm**. Please join your fellow members for a day of fun and educational activities on the Parade Ground of the new Philadelphia Naval Business Center (formerly the Philadelphia Navy Yard), conveniently located just off I-95 in South Philadelphia.

The **Philadelphia Naval Business Center** is a new, suburban-style business campus encompassing 1,200 acres at the southern tip of Philadelphia. The setting offers magnificent skyline and waterfront views, gracious trees and plantings—including plantings installed by PHS's Philadelphia Green program in partnership with the Philadelphia Department of Streets—recreational facilities, and architecturally significant buildings. **Trolley tours** of the site will be available throughout the day.

You'll first want to stop at the **Annual Plant Dividend** tent to select your free plant (choose one plant for associate memberships and three for household memberships and above). Each year, these plants are grown and donated by expert propagators, members, and commercial growers. Selections include a wide variety of terrific perennials, shrubs, houseplants, and trees.

A **membership tent** will feature a special promotion for members who renew on that day (regardless of renewal date) and for new members who join PHS for the first time—so bring a friend. **The first 300 new and renewing members will receive a free gift of daffodil bulbs—at the perfect time for fall planting. New members may also select an Annual Plant Dividend plant.**

Plants and more plants! **PHS Gold Medal Plants**—exceptional trees, shrubs and vines that thrive in the Delaware Valley—will be available for purchase. Staff will be on hand to offer growing tips and advice.

Throughout the day you can enjoy **speakers and demonstrations** on a variety of horticultural topics including herbs, roses, houseplants, orchids, and many more garden-related subjects. There will also be children's activities, as well as music and refreshments.

The Philadelphia Naval Business Center is easily accessible by car (**with ample, free parking**) or by public transportation. See travel directions below.

Driving Directions:

From points north of Philadelphia and from NJ via the Ben Franklin Bridge (I-676) or Walt Whitman Bridge (I-76): Take I-95 South to Exit 17 (Broad Street). Turn left onto Broad. Enter the Main Gate at Naval Business Center (Navy Yard).

From the south and from NJ via the Commodore Barry Bridge (Rt. 322): Take I-95 North to Exit 17 (Broad St.). Turn left at first light at bottom of ramp (Zinkoff Blvd.). Make another left onto Broad St. and stay to the right-hand side. Enter the Main Gate at Naval Business Center (Navy Yard).

From the west or from the PA Turnpike (Exit #24 - Valley Forge): Take the Schuylkill Expressway East (I-76) to Broad Street exit. Take Broad Street South to Main Gate at Naval Business Center (Navy Yard).

From the Blue Route (I-476): Take I-476 to I-95 North to Exit 17 (Broad Street). Turn left at first light at bottom of

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POINSETTIA CARDS AVAILABLE IN THE SHOPPE

Did you know that the poinsettia plant (*Euphorbia pulcherrima*) was introduced to the American public by the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society at its first Philadelphia Flower Show in 1829? If you send holiday cards, PHS has a festive Poinsettia card available at the "Shoppe" at PHS headquarters, 20th & Arch Streets in Philadelphia, on the first floor. A box of eight (8) cards sells for $10 plus tax. Stop by and pick up your holiday cards early. The cards will also be available at Members Appreciation Day.

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THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

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A Special Day for Members

A hallmark of PHS is the enthusiastic support of our members for the things we do, from shows and events to greening and publications, and as volunteers in every aspect of the organization. This year, in conjunction with the Plant Dividend, we plan to show our gratitude to PHS members with a special day of activities.

You may not immediately think of the Parade Ground at the Philadelphia Naval Business Center as the obvious place to hold a **PHS Members Appreciation Day**, but just wait until you get there on Saturday, September 13th. Surrounding you will be wonderful buildings, full of Philadelphia and naval history. Thanks to the staff of the Naval Business Center, we will offer shuttle tours of the campus. On the Parade Ground, there will be tents and plants, PHS members, staff and volunteers, toe-tapping music and plant doctors to help you with the most challenging of your horticultural problems.

The Naval Business Center (once known as the Navy Yard) is easy to get to (right off I-95, near the stadiums and Philadelphia International Airport), and there's plenty of free parking. Bring the kids (lots of room to run around) and bring that friend who has said for years that he or she would like to join PHS. As a member you will be able to pick up your **Plant Dividend**, purchase **Gold Medal award-winning plants**, and, if you renew your membership that day, you will receive a **gift of bulbs**, just in time for fall planting.

Some of our most popular **speakers** from the Flower Show's Gardeners' Studio will give presentations on a range of horticultural topics, from herbs to roses to houseplants and scented geraniums. September 13th (see details and directions on page one and also in a special mailing to members) will be a day of celebration and a day of learning, sharing, and saying thanks to you.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

UNITED WAY GIFTS

Fall marks the kick-off of the annual United Way campaign. Last year, PHS received nearly $21,000 in gifts through the United Way Donor Option program—double the amount we received in previous years. Many thanks to those members who chose to direct their United Way funds to PHS.

This year, please consider making a United Way gift to PHS once again. Simply note our **Donor Option ID #06197** on your United Way pledge card for 2004. Your contribution will help support the Society's urban greening program, Philadelphia Green, which works with communities throughout Philadelphia to beautify neighborhoods, reclaim vacant land, enhance public parks, and preserve open green space.

Pete Prown

IN MEMORIAM: BOBBY GRACE

Anyone who has attended the Philadelphia Flower Show Preview Dinner most likely was greeted there by the welcoming face of Bobby Grace, who died on May 8. A longtime PHS volunteer, she served on the PHS Council and the Nominating Committee, but she was best known for her tireless work on the Preview Dinner Committee. Bobby was a member of the committee since 1966—the year the event was held for the first time—and according to Ellen Wheeler, the Preview Dinner coordinator, she missed only two dinners in all of those 37 years.

"If I had to use one word to describe Bobby," says Ellen, "I would say she had *moxie*. There was never a problem that couldn't be solved, and she always solved it with a smile. She'll be greatly missed by everyone at PHS."

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: LINDA MILLS

Linda Mills became a PHS member about 11 years ago when she began to keep a garden and, before long, she decided to get involved as a volunteer. She has sold memberships at the Philadelphia Flower Show and for several years worked as a volunteer host for the Spring Garden visits. But about four years ago, she was asked to help out with the Annual Plant Dividend—when all PHS members receive one or more free plants as a benefit of their membership—and she has been either chair or co-chair of the Plant Dividend Committee ever since.

"I think the Plant Dividend is the single most fun benefit of PHS membership, but then again, maybe I'm a little biased," Linda muses. As co-chair, her duties include rounding up donations of plants and making sure there are enough for everyone who attends. (This year's event will be held at Members Appreciation Day on September 13; see page one for details.)

People often wonder where the Dividend plants come from. "It used to be that the Plant Dividend was members growing plants for other members," Linda explains, "but since PHS's membership has grown so much, volunteers alone can no longer supply the 5,000 plants needed, so we decided to turn to commercial growers for assistance, and they have been wonderful." The committee mostly works with those businesses that have had some relationship with PHS, like exhibiting at the Flower Show or selling Gold Medal Plants, but welcomes all growers who wish to make donations.

A great many Dividend plants, of course, are still provided by volunteers. Linda donates some from her own property. She enjoys knowing that her small seedlings or divisions will grow and thrive in someone else's garden.

"It's the greatest thing," she says. "One year, for example, I took home a tiny slip of viburnum. It's now four feet tall and gives the whole garden a wonderful scent. It always reminds me of PHS."

– Jane Carroll

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA AWARDS GREENING CONTRACT TO PHS

As part of Mayor John Street's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, the City of Philadelphia recently announced the award of a one-year contract to PHS to carry out its "Green City Strategy." To accomplish the Green City Strategy, PHS's Philadelphia Green program will draw on its 30 years of experience in urban greening. The Strategy is founded on the belief that attractive, well-kept green spaces are essential to a high quality of life in an urban environment—that a green city is a great city.

Over the past three years, Philadelphia Green has provided consultation services to the city and conducted studies to determine how best to "stabilize" and maintain the vast amount of vacant land in Philadelphia until future uses for the land can be found. The city adopted the Strategy this summer and will partner with PHS to carry out the work.

"We are pleased to form this exiting partnership with PHS," said Patricia Smith, director of the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative. "Mayor Street's administration is committed to greening as an important tool for revitalizing Philadelphia neighborhoods, and Philadelphia Green has developed an effective, proven strategy for getting the job done." The contract period for the greening work began this June and continues through June, 2004.

In addition to the Philadelphia Green program, the work draws upon the expertise of many organizations in the city and focuses on six primary target areas of Philadelphia, including more than 1,000 vacant parcels in Philadelphia's South, North Central, Frankford, East Mt. Airy and West Philadelphia/Mantua neighborhoods. Along with the clearing of trash and planting of trees and grass to stabilize lots in these areas, the Strategy will build on and expand Philadelphia Green's citywide greening efforts by creating new gateways and gardens, planting street trees, and revitalizing more than 20 neighborhood parks. Improving public spaces and providing educational outreach programs are also key components of this effort.

John Gannon

A newly cleaned vacant lot on Berks Street in North Philadelphia

Says J. Blaine Bonham, Jr., executive vice president of PHS, "This is an unprecedented commitment by the city, the strongest possible acknowledgement that greening is a critical part of creating a dynamic, thriving city with an enviable quality of life. We're thrilled to play such an important role in improving Philadelphia's neighborhoods." *– Jane Carroll*

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

Waning Full Moon Walk in the Wissahickon

Friday, September 12, 7 – 9 pm

Arborist **Ken LeRoy**, a member of the board of Friends of the Wissahickon and specialist in trees of the Philadelphia region, will lead this evening walk. We'll begin at Bells Mill Road and Forbidden Drive through the Wissahickon woods to Houston Meadow, an unusual upland sandy ecosystem with uncommon tree species, including the native Gray Birch and Quaking Aspen. Please contact Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844 or *mmaslin@pennhort.org* by September 10 to register and get directions. FREE.

Friends Hospital Fall Cleanup

Saturday, September 13, 10 am to noon
4641 Roosevelt Blvd.

Learn what's a weed and what's not and how to identify poison ivy. We'll also divide perennials. Pre-registration is required. Lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact Mona Gold at 215-831-4682 or Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or *mreynolds@pennhort.org*. FREE.

Tree Farm Tour

Wednesday, September 17, 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Tim **DeVaney**'s "Tree The Streets" program, in Ridley Park, is a wonderful source of container-grown trees for Philadelphia Green's Tree Tenders and other Philadelphians. We will visit the farm, see the trees and learn how a container-grown-tree farm operates. For transportation assistance, directions, and to register, please contact Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844 or *mmaslin@pennhort.org* by September 15. FREE.

MEMBERS APPRECIATION DAY!

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ramp (Zinkoff Blvd.). Make another left onto Broad Street and stay to the right-hand side. Enter the Main Gate at Naval Business Center (Navy Yard).

From Center City Philadelphia: Take Broad Street South to Main Gate at Naval Business Center (Navy Yard).

At the Naval Business Center: After entering at the Main Gate, continue on Broad Street to the Parade Ground. Look for balloons and PHS signs. Parking across from the Parade Ground is free.

Public Transportation:

Take the #17 bus marked Navy Yard or Naval Business Center. On Saturdays, #17 buses leave from Center City (Front and Market, 6th and Market, 15th and JFK, 19th and Walnut) once every hour. Please check with SEPTA for bus times (215-580-7800 or online at *www.septa.org*).

McLean Library Book Club Reconvenes in October

Now in its third year, the McLean Library's **"Stories From the Garden"** book discussion group reconvenes in October after a summer hiatus. Each month, we'll read and discuss works of fiction or non-fiction having to do with gardens, plants, or the land. The group meets on the **first Thursday evening of the month**, beginning October 2nd, 5:45–7:45 pm in the library.

2003-2004 reading schedule:

October 2	Katherine Mansfield, "The Garden Party"
November 6	Diane Wolkstein, *Inanna*
December 4	Maria Dermoût, *The Ten Thousand Things*
January 8	Henry James, *The Aspern Papers*
February 5	Sue Hubbell, *A Country Year*
April 1	Stephen Ambrose, *Undaunted Courage*
May 6	J. M. Coetzee, *Life and Times of Michael K.*
June 3	Jeanette Winterson, *Sexing the Cherry*

While participation is free and open to the public, **registration is required**. For more information, please contact the McLean Library at *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8782.

McLean Library Book Sale

Thursday, October 16
10 am – 5 pm

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale, to be held Thursday, October 16 in the library. New gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices will be available at this sale. The Library welcomes book donations for this event and will accept books until October 3, 2003. Special tours of the library will be offered during the day. For more information, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at 215-988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org.*

The McLean Library is located at PHS headquarters, 20th & Arch Streets in Philadelphia, on the first floor.

Thanks to our 2003 Garden Visit Hosts

PHS wishes to thank the generous garden owners who welcomed PHS members for this year's Spring Garden Visits. Many thanks, too, to all the volunteers who make this program possible, especially the Garden Visit Committee: Sally Graham (chair), Anna Marie Amey, Alice Doering, Kate Farrell, and Alan Slack.

Saturday, May 10, Moorestown & Haddonfield, New Jersey
Jan and Robert Chevalier
Ann Driscoll
Nancy Froelicher
Mary and James George
Tatem Garden

Sunday, June 1, Upper Main Line
Anne Congdon
Ester and Paul Gansky
Bitsy and Louis Hood
Alida McIlvain and John Harkins
Wendy and Jim Oram
Diane and Bob Roskamp

Sunday, June 15, Swarthmore/Media
Andrew Bunting and Caroline Eells
Charles O. Cresson
LuAnn and Craig Fitz
Elizabeth Kassab
Claire and Otto Müller
Michael Petrie

David Michael

This spring, in conjunction with a $50,000 contribution to Philadelphia Green from ***Citizens Bank****, bank employees (above) helped install entranceway plantings at Wharton Square Park in South Philadelphia. They also participated in the annual "Spring into Your Park" event—the annual spring workday in neighborhood parks—planting, weeding, cleaning, and mulching trees in Wissinoming Park in Frankford and Cliveden Park in East Mount Airy.*

Flower Show Exhibitor's Guide

Now on the Web

The 2004 Flower Show Exhibitor's Guide is a handy booklet with rules and regulations for exhibiting, descriptions of artistic and horticultural competitive classes, and more essential information for exhibitors. **This year, the full guide will once again be available on the Flower Show website** ***(www.theflowershow.com)*** after Labor Day. From the web, you can easily download those sections that are most helpful to you.

Free printed copies of the Exhibitor's Guide are available upon request. To receive a copy, please send your request by email to *fsguide@pennhort.org*, or fill in the form below and mail to:

Exhibitor's Guide, Shows Department, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495.

2004 Philadelphia Flower Show Exhibitor's Guide request
(Please print clearly)

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

TRAVEL WITH US IN 2004

Gardens of Spain
April 13 – 24, 2004

Join fellow PHS members and guests for a garden tour of Spain focusing on the two Spanish provinces of Madrid and Andalusia. In addition to wonderful private gardens in Andalusia, we'll visit famous cultural sights like the Alhambra, Gibraltar, the hilltown of Ronda, the Prado, and the Great Mosque in Cordoba. We'll stay in superior first class hotels in Madrid, Seville, Malaga, and Granada. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan, of JL Tours, will accompany the group.

Gardens of the Lake District and Lincolnshire, England, with Jane Pepper
June 6 – 17

Don't miss this opportunity to see two completely different and very interesting parts of Britain.

The Lake District, famed for its mountains and lakes, inspired Wordsworth to write his poem, "The Daffodils," and the yellow blooms still line the roadsides in spring. Here, the sound of water running off the hills echoes almost everywhere, and the climate, warmed by the Gulf Stream, makes this area a paradise for gardeners.

The second leg of the journey will be to Lincolnshire, which has three distinct faces: the Fenns, drained by the Dutch in the 17th century, lie four feet below sea level with land so fertile you can almost watch plants grow; the Wolds, where low, rolling hills shelter beautiful old manor houses; and the West, where fine estates and great houses sit proudly in the landscape.

On this tour, led by PHS president Jane Pepper, we will visit a wide variety of gardens, small and large, and nearly all privately owned. Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized many successful UK tours for PHS over the past 15 years, will make all arrangements and will travel with the group.

The tour will fly direct via US Airways from Philadelphia to and from Manchester, where we will spend our last two nights. This city, once the hub of the Industrial Revolution, has regenerated itself with world-class art galleries, a host of interesting restaurants, shops and cultural attractions, as well as fine architecture.

Gardens in Maine
July 20 – 25, 2004

Many longtime friends of PHS who vacation in Maine are extending a welcome to PHS members and guests by helping to plan this stellar, six-day trip of private gardens in this lovely state. The unbeatable combination of gardens, sunshine and water will be very appealing as we visit Islesboro, North Haven and the Northeast Harbor area. Overnight accommodations will be in Camden for two nights and Northeast Harbor for three. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan, of JL Tours, will accompany the group.

Itineraries for all trips will be ready in mid-September and will be posted online. To receive a printed copy, please contact Betsie Blodgett at 215-988-8818 or *bblodgett@pennhort.org*

FLOWER ARRANGING EVENTS

Friday and Saturday, October 24 and 25

Mit Ingelaere, world-renowned floral designer from Belgium, will present a **floral arranging demonstration on Friday, October 24, from 10 am to noon in the Van Pelt Auditorium at the Philadelphia Museum of Art**. Ingelaere is a cutting-edge designer who uses fewer flowers for greater impact.

Two hands-on workshops will also be held at PHS headquarters, 20th & Arch Streets: Friday 10/24 at 1:30 pm, focusing on color, and **Saturday 10/25, at 10 am**, focusing on space. Both workshops are limited to 20 participants. Please bring scissors or clippers.

To sign up for these special events, please mail or fax the reservation form at right. You can also phone in your registration using a credit card (215-988-1622).

For more information, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *email: bgullan@pennhort.org*

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Telephone (Daytime) _____

#____reservation(s) for 10/24 demonstration at museum (open seating) @ **$50/each**

#____reservation(s) for 10/24 demonstration at museum (preferred seating) @ **$75/each**

#____reservation(s) for Friday (10/24) workshop at PHS @ **$140/each** (includes lunch)

#____reservation(s) for Saturday (10/25) workshop at PHS @ **$140/each** (includes continental breakfast)

TOTAL ENCLOSED_____

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Mail to: Deb Fife, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495. **Fax:** 215-988-8810

GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARDS FOR 2004

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is pleased to announce the winners of the 2004 Gold Medal Plant Awards. The Gold Medal Plant Award program promotes trees, shrubs and vines of exceptional merit for use in the Mid-Atlantic region (Zones 5 through 7).

***Magnolia* 'Daybreak'** is an outstanding addition to the Gold Medal *Magnolia* collection. It has clean, attractive foliage, unsurpassed fragrance, and blooms in May after any chance of frost. The large, deep pink flowers of 'Daybreak' open to 9 to 10 inches in diameter. With an upright growth habit and pollution tolerance, it makes an excellent specimen or street tree. Plant in sun in well-drained soil. Grows 30 feet high by 6 feet wide. Hardy in Zones 5 to 8.

***Osmanthus heterophyllus* 'Goshiki' (False-Holly)** is a holly-like evergreen shrub with colorful leaves. The new growth is pink-tinged, maturing to green with splashes of cream and gold. Blooming from September through October, its creamy-white flowers are hidden but very fragrant. 'Goshiki' does best in part-sun and well-drained soil. Some winter protection is recommended. Grows 5 feet high and 4 feet wide. Hardy in Zones 6 to 9.

***Sarcococca hookeriana* var. *humilis* (Sweetbox)** is a spreading, evergreen shrub with a low, mounding habit. Its narrow dark green leaves create a lush ground cover. The neat, attractive appearance of sweetbox is enhanced in March and April by small, white, very fragrant flowers. It is excellent as a low foundation plant or a perennial companion plant. Grow in part-shade to shade in well-drained soil. Grows 3 feet high by 5 feet wide. Hardy in Zones 5 to 8.

– Joe Ziccardi

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES

COACH TRIPS

AVALON/CAPE MAY REGION, NEW JERSEY

Tuesday, September 16, 9 am – 7 pm

This coach trip will take us to private and public gardens and a fine garden center in and around the popular New Jersey shore towns of Avalon and Cape May Point. Professional horticulturist and long-time Avalon resident **Nanci Walsh** will guide us through the gardens and describe some of the special challenges faced by seaside gardeners. The cost includes round-trip coach travel from Philadelphia, garden fees and a boxed lunch, which we will enjoy at the lovely, award-winning gardens of the Hereford Inlet lighthouse. Please call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org* for a flyer. Limited space. Fee: $90 members, $110 non-members.

STORM KING ART CENTER

Wednesday, October 8, 9 am – 7 pm
Mountainville, NY

Set against the dramatic backdrop of Storm King Mountain, a favorite subject for painters of the Hudson River School, this dramatic sculpture garden celebrates the relationship between sculpture and nature. With exhibition space defined by earth and sky, this five-hundred-acre property showcases more than 100 carefully sited works by internationally acclaimed contemporary artists, including Alexander Calder and David Smith. The fields, hills and woodlands that provide the setting for the sculpture are as important to the artwork as the artwork is to the landscape. Join us as we experience this unique harmony of art and nature.

Fee includes round-trip coach travel from the Horticulture Center in Philadelphia's Fairmount Park and lunch near Mountainville, as well as admission fees and docent-guided and tram tours of the grounds. Limited space. Fee: $90 members, $110 non-members.

BROWN-BAG LUNCHES

HERBS... HISTORY, TYPES, USES AND CULTURE

Thursday, September 18, 12 – 1 pm
PHS Classroom

Learn how to make the most of the herbs you have been growing all season and get some ideas for what to grow next year. Herb expert **Ed MacFarland** will discuss all aspects of these useful, easy-to-grow plants, from propagation to planting to harvesting and beyond. Ed is past president and current executive vice president of Tamanend Park Herb Gardening Club; designs and installs perennial, herb and rose gardens; and is a chronic collector of scented geraniums. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

BRINGING YOUR CONTAINER PLANTS INDOORS FOR THE WINTER

Tuesday, October 7, 12 noon – 1 pm
PHS Auditorium

Summer is over. What will you do with the plants in your outdoor containers? Don't throw them away until you come and hear what **Bernie Wiener** does with his container plants. You will learn how to take cuttings and prepare your favorite plants for another growing season. There will be a houseplant clinic, so bring your plants or questions. The Begonia family will be especially featured, as the Delaware Valley now has a branch of the American Begonia Society.

Bernie Wiener is founder of the Delaware Valley Chapter of the Hobby Greenhouse Association and a volunteer at the Barnes Foundation Arboretum, where he designs and maintains their outdoor containers. Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. Fee: $5.

WALK

GRASSES AND BAMBOO

Wednesday, October 1, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** will explore the amazing diversity of bamboos and grasses as we walk around this pleasure garden in its late summer splendor. We will discuss cultural requirements and design possibilities as we view bamboos in the Asian woods and look at grasses in the mixed borders, gravel gardens, containers, and the newly planted grass garden. We will look at variations in texture, form and color that grasses and bamboos provide, as well as the many ways to integrate them into your garden. Limit: 24. Fee: $18 members; $23 non-members.

IN THE GARDEN

FOCUS ON ROSES

Saturday, October 4, 10 am – 12 noon
Bryn Mawr, PA

Join garden designer and writer **Fran Sorin** as she explains how she has incorporated roses seamlessly into her garden over the past 10 years. Fran will also show how to prepare your roses for winter and will discuss a wide variety of roses that you might want to order for spring. She'll also tell us how to select the right roses for the right locations, how to care for them organically in Zone 6, and how to make sure their beauty stands out in your herbaceous borders.

Fran Sorin is the owner of Fran Sorin Garden Designs LLC. Her first book, *Digging Deep: Unearthing Your Creative Roots Through Gardening*, is being published by Warner Books in Spring 2004. For more information on Sorin, visit *www.fransorin.com*. Limit 18. Fee: $20 members, $27 non-members.

THE BASICS OF JAPANESE GARDENING

Saturday, October 18, 10 am – 12 noon
Shofuso Japanese House and Garden, Philadelphia

Designed for the novice Japanese gardener, this program showcases the garden at the Japanese House in Fairmount Park as a living outdoor classroom. Shofuso's first full time garden director, **Ian Simpkins**, will discuss the basic principles of Japanese gardening, which you may adapt to your own garden. Ian will cover the development of Japanese gardens, basic horticultural techniques, plants, and gardening methods unique to the Japanese garden. A tour of the garden will be included.

Ian Simpkins received his BS in horticulture from North Carolina State University, where he studied under the late J. C. Raulston. He was later curator of the Japanese garden at the J. C. Raulston Arboretum and has also worked at Scott Arboretum, Tyler Arboretum, and Riverbanks in South Carolina. Limit: 20. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.

WORKSHOP

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Ten Tuesday sessions: October 7, 14, 21, 28, Nov 4, 11, 18, 25, and Dec 2, 9, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS Classroom

By popular demand! If you have always wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of form, dimensionality, and "reality" using the challenging medium of watercolor, this is the class for you! This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include: mixing the colors of nature using a limited palette of six colors and making a color journal, specific exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of watercolor brushes and paper. We will work from live specimens, initially using the simpler forms of fruits and vegetables. It is necessary to attend the first session of this ten-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration.

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, Philadelphia College of Arts and Design; New York Botanical Garden; the Philadelphia Museum of Art; and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. Instruction will be based on individual needs and beginners are welcome! Limit: 15. Fee: $270 members, $290 non-members.

DEMONSTRATIONS

THE EASE, SIMPLICITY & VERSATILITY OF USING BEGONIAS IN THE HOME

Wednesday, October 15, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Meadowbrook horticulturist **Virginia Page** will present this overview of basic begonia culture and selection,

including an outline of different types of begonias, various methods of propagation, transplanting, pruning techniques and insect and disease control. Each participant will receive a small begonia to repot and maintain with an eye toward entering it in the Philadelphia Flower Show. Limit: 20. Fee: $23 members, $28 non-members.

GARDEN WORK IN FALL

Wednesday, October 29, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Many homeowners see the cooler temperatures and shorter days of the fall as a time when the garden dies back and the only job left is raking leaves. But fall is the ideal time to accomplish garden tasks that often get overlooked in the spring rush. Activities such as cutting back; dividing and transplanting perennials; pruning trees and shrubs; planting seasonal gardens of pansies, mums, asters, ornamental cabbage and kale; and cleaning and preparing beds for spring are all more enjoyable when cooler weather arrives. This is also a good time to plan future designs.

Meadowbrook horticulturist **Bill Thaller** will discuss these topics, show examples, and offer other fall maintenance suggestions that will lighten your load next spring. Fee: $18 for members, $23 for non-members.

CONFERENCE

2003 PERENNIALS CONFERENCE

Friday, October 17, 9 am – 4 pm
Lang Performing Arts Center
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

Get a preview of new plant introductions and learn about designing with perennials, herbaceous peonies, and plants for dry locations. Enjoy a slide tour of some of America's finest private gardens. Speakers include **Chris Hansen**, director of horticulture at Wayside Gardens; **Starr Ockenga**, writer, photographer, designer and educator; **Lauren Springer**, contributing editor for *Horticulture* and *Country Living Gardener* magazines; **James W. Waddick**, author of the forthcoming book, *The Genus Paenoia*; and **Timothy Walker**, Horti Praefectus (director) of the University of Oxford Botanic Garden and Harcourt Arboretum.

To register, please contact the Continuing Education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000, ext. 507, Monday through Friday, 8am to 4pm. You can also pick up a brochure at PHS headquarters. Register Early!

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Avalon/Cape May Coach Trip	9/16	Fee: $90/$110	_____	_____
☐ Storm King Art Center Coach Trip	10/8	Fee: $90/$110	_____	_____
☐ Herbs…History, Types, Uses and Culture	9/18	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Bringing Your Container Plants Indoors	10/7	Fee: $5	_____	_____
☐ Walk: Grasses and Bamboos	10/1	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Focus on Roses	10/4	Fee: $20/$27	_____	_____
☐ Basics of Japanese Gardening	10/18	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Botanical Illustration with Watercolor	starts 10/7	Fee: $270/$290	_____	_____
☐ Using Begonias in the Home	10/15	Fee: $23/$28	_____	_____
☐ Garden Work in Fall	10/29	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

PHS
Attn: Program Activities
100 N. 20th St., 5th floor
Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list for a program.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities:
Please call 215-988-8869 or email
programreg@pennhort.org

SPECIAL BULB CLASSES ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Thinking about entering the Horticulture Classes at next year's Philadelphia Flower Show? Why not try your hand at growing these newly announced **additions** to the bulb classes?

Bulb Challenge Class (open to all exhibitors)

- *Tulipa batalinii* 'Yellow Jewel' in a 6" pot.

General Bulb Classes (open to all exhibitors)

- *Narcissus* 'Little Beauty' (Miniature) in a 6" pot.
- *Narcissus* 'Salome' (Division 2, Large-Cupped) in an 8" pot.
- *Narcissus* 'Thalia' in an 8" pot.
- *Tulipa* 'Leen van der Mark' (Triumph) in an 8" pot.
- *Hyacinthus* 'Pink Pearl' in an 8" pot.
- Any species *Tulipa* except *T. batalinii* 'Yellow Jewel' in a 6" pot. Named cultivars or selections are acceptable.
- Any species *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis), a single-nosed bulb, in a pot.
- Any hybrid miniature *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis), a single-nosed bulb, in a pot.
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis) except a species or hybrid miniature, a single-nosed bulb, in a pot.
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis), a single bulb with attached offsets, in a pot.

Novice Classes (open to anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in the Horticulture Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show prior to 2004)

- *Narcissus* 'Ice Follies' in an 8" pot.
- Any *Tulipa* except 'Leen van der Mark', in an 8" pot.
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis), a single-nosed bulb in a pot.

Note: All these bulbs must be grown and shown in pots of the size (diameter) specified. **This year, you may use bulb pans, azalea pots, or standard pots for all bulb classes.** Look for a complete listing of all bulb classes, entry forms, and a *Beginner's Guide* to entering the Horticulture Classes in the 2004 Philadelphia Flower Show *Exhibitor's Guide*, available on the Flower Show website (*www.theflowershow.com*).

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A WEEK TO SAVE

Borders Books & Music Offers Benefit Week For PHS Members

Mark your calendars for Oct 19 through 25, 2003. PHS members can purchase books, music, etc. at area Borders stores and receive a **10% discount** during this special Benefit Week. Simply show your PHS membership card and you are eligible for savings on all merchandise. Plus, shopping at Borders during this special week will also benefit PHS, since Borders will contribute a portion of all member sales directly to PHS.

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PHS LAUNCHES COLORFUL NEW WEBSITE

Now Renew Memberships Online!

The official website of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and Philadelphia Flower Show has been updated, upgraded and is now up and running! The new site offers enhanced, user-friendly search features and a contemporary look. You will also find convenient, informative resources for experienced and beginner gardeners, community groups, educators and horticulturists.

The new website offers many services for **PHS members**. **Current members can renew their memberships online and non-members can join**. There is also a link to the list of gardens and arboretums that participate in the American Horticultural Society's Reciprocal Admissions Program, as well as a list of the generous vendors who give year-round discounts to PHS members.

There's a brand-new **calendar**, where you can search by topic or date for lectures, tours, and other special events (and even register for some programs online). You can learn more about **Philadelphia Green**, PHS's urban greening program, including city-gardening activities, workshops and training opportunities, and read or download the latest news and publications about greening efforts in the city.

You'll find **PHS's Gold Medal plants**, volunteer opportunities, easy access to the **McLean Library** (where you can borrow books online), and much, much more.

With one click, you can visit the redesigned Philadelphia Flower Show section, which also has many new features. **You can purchase Flower Show tickets online**, sign up as a volunteer, check out exhibitor and vendor lists, and explore travel and lodging options for visiting the Show. There are also "printer-ready" Flower Show Week discount coupons to use at area businesses, as well as a daily schedule of lectures, demonstrations and special events.

And if you're planning to exhibit at the Flower Show, you can download the complete **Flower Show Exhibitors Guide**, or print out just those sections that apply to your entries.

In each issue of *PHS News*, we'll let you know about exciting new features, stories, or services that become available on the website. So visit PHS online today. Best of all, the web address is still the same: ***www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.***

Grateful thanks to the McLean Contributionship for its support in the development of the new website.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE SPOTLIGHT

At the end of each year, we celebrate the contributions of thousands of volunteers who help the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society fulfill its mission of creating a sense of community through horticulture. All year long, volunteers are donating their time to serve on committees, direct visitors at the Flower Show, staff the "Ask-a-Gardener" hotline, provide activities at Kids Grow Expo, and fill many other roles.

We invite you to visit the "Latest News" section of the PHS website to view a complete list of all those who served on PHS committees during 2003. From all of us at PHS, our heartfelt thanks to all our wonderful vounteers!

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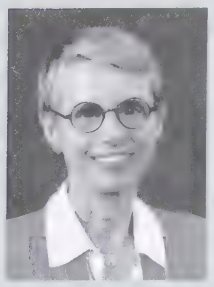
The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Goodbye to a True Gentleman



"Gentleman" is the perfect word to describe J. Liddon Pennock, Jr., a great friend to many of us at PHS, who died on July 24th, shortly after his 90th birthday. Liddon was elegant and courtly; he had wonderfully good taste, you rarely saw him without a smile, and when he was talking to you, you felt like the most important person in the world. Many were indebted to Liddon for his generosity in sharing his beautiful house and garden, Meadowbrook Farm, with PHS members, garden clubs and civic organizations.

Liddon's contributions to horticulture and his community were many and varied, starting in the 1930s, when his father called him home from his studies at Cornell University to run the family business, Pennock Florists. When I became acquainted with Liddon in 1980, he had already had a long and distinguished career as a florist and was involved in an extensive list of organizations in Philadelphia, ranging from the Philadelphia Orchestra and the Academy of Music to the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania.

At PHS, Ed Lindemann, Flower Show designer and director, and I especially appreciated Liddon's contributions to the Show's design over a long period of time. When we started our careers as designer and manager of the Philadelphia Flower Show, we were in short pants and on training wheels. Liddon was always there to help us when we toppled over.

Ed reflects on Liddon's role in the Show: "Using flowers and plants as an artistic medium, Liddon exuded excellence and perfection. Because of the aesthetic standards he set, the Philadelphia Flower Show is the premier event of its kind in the world today. The Show has lost a legend and an inspiration."

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

ANNUAL AWARDS

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society is pleased to announce the awards for 2003, presented to the following special friends of the Society:

Distinguished Achievement Medal

Ann F. Rhoads, Ph.D

Dr. Rhoads's passion for botany and field work is well known in the Delaware Valley and beyond. She is senior botanist, chair of botany and director of the Pennsylvania Flora Project at the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania. (The project was started 70 years ago as a way to compile information from herbarium specimens to prepare dot maps of all the native and naturalized plants known to occur in Pennsylvania. Now available on a computer database, the basic taxonomic file contains 3,432 records derived from nearly 400,000 herbarium specimens.) Other responsibilities include conducting vegetation inventories and field surveys of rare and endangered plant species throughout eastern Pennsylvania.

In addition to her work at Morris Arboretum, Dr. Rhoads is a research associate at the Academy of Natural Sciences in Philadelphia. She has served on the Pennsylvania Biodiversity Partnership executive board, the Deer Management Working Group of the Pennsylvania Game Commission, and the Pennsylvania

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ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for the PHS Annual Meeting on Tuesday, November 11 at 5 pm at PHS, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. We will elect new Council members, take up other committee business, and celebrate the recipients of the PHS Annual Awards.

At its June 25th meeting, the Council approved the nomination of the following members **for reelection to second three-year terms: Charles N. Marshall, James E. Nevels, Margaret Sadler, Jood Thompson and Karen B. Yoh**.

In addition, the Nominating Committee will place in nomination for three-year terms the following persons who are not currently members of Council: [*Note: three-year terms begin November 11, 2003.*]

Ellie M. Barger has more than 20 years experience in the healthcare industry. She is vice president of finance for GlaxoSmithKine's worldwide Consumer Healthcare Division. Ellie is a member of the GSK Consumer Executive team, as well as the Corporate Capital Review Board. In 2001, she received the "Rising Star" Award from the Healthcare Business Women's Association. Ellie is a member of PHS's Finance Committee.

Jennifer K. Lendler is the president and founder of Alea Advisors LLC, a consultancy group providing analysis for clients in the gaming industry. Prior to launching Alea Advisors, Jennifer held senior management positions in financial and operations functions at casino/hotels with Harrah's Entertainment, and managed the global gaming consultancy practice for PricewaterhouseCooper. She is active in the Professional Women's Roundtable and the Junior League of Philadelphia. At PHS, Jennifer serves on the Flower Show Executive and Azalea Garden Party committees.

Please return your signed proxy, we need your vote!

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Annual Meeting of Members, November 11, 2003

The undersigned hereby appoints Sally N. Graham, Anne B. Kellett, and Jane G. Pepper, each of them the true and lawful attorneys of said member, with full power of substitution to vote at the Annual Meeting of The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, to be held at 5:00 pm on Tuesday, November 11, 2003, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present:

1. For the election of Council Members, all adult members of household should sign.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

All adult members of household should sign:

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Please return no later than November 10, 2003 to PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103.

GREEN CITY STRATEGY UNVEILED AT PRESS CONFERENCE

On September 22, PHS and Philadelphia Mayor John Street held a joint press conference to officially announce the $4 million contract awarded to PHS as part of the "Green City Strategy" (see September/October *PHS News*). A cornerstone of the mayor's anti-blight campaign—the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI)—PHS's Green City Strategy calls for significant improvements to the city's open space as a means to attract new residents and investment.

"We are delighted to share the mayor's vision for a brighter and greener Philadelphia," said PHS president Jane Pepper. In turn, the Mayor thanked PHS for "their wonderful commitment to the city," and noted, "This is a great new partnership with PHS and the neighborhoods to maintain thousands of vacant lots." He added that a key indicator of the success of NTI would be the number of residents who choose to stay in their neighborhoods rather than move out of the city.

Pete Prown

Left to right: PHS executive vice president J. Blaine Bonham, Jr., NTI director Patricia Smith, and PHS president Jane Pepper join students from Grover Cleveland Elementary School in a ceremonial groundbreaking for the Green City Strategy.

The press conference, attended by nearly 100 people, was held at Cleveland Elementary School at 19th & Erie in the Tioga community. Outside the school, a landscape contractor worked to install wood fencing and plant trees on two adjacent vacant lots, an example of the work already in progress this fall.

The Green City Strategy involves an array of partners, including residents, community organizations, government, businesses, and other service agencies. Over the course of this one-year contract, one million square feet of vacant land will be cleared, fenced and planted with grass and trees in six target communities. Throughout the city, PHS will work with partners to revitalize 23 parks, complete 20 new garden projects, improve six longstanding, large-scale "Keystone" gardens, and enhance 30 residential streets with colorful planters. In addition, PHS will create six high-profile "signature" greening projects such as gateways and public spaces, remake four commercial corridors, and offer more than 30 garden-related workshops.

Lastly, Philadelphia Green is implementing a community-based maintenance program for vacant lots, where participating community organizations will be responsible for maintaining the lots in their neighborhoods.

Speaking to the aim of this transformation work, NTI director Patricia Smith noted, "All of the city's neighborhoods should be great places in which to live, work, learn, shop, and play. Philadelphia can't be a world-class city without world-class neighborhoods."

Look for additional updates on the Green City Strategy, including a fall progress report, in the next issue of *PHS News*. You can also visit the PHS website for more information. *–John Gannon*

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The following workshops take place at neighborhood **branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia**. These workshops are free and open to the public. For more information about these events, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*

Houseplant Care

Monday, November 3, 6:30–7:30 pm
Logan Branch, 1333 Wagner Avenue

Monday, November 10, 6–7 pm
Southwark Branch, 932 S. 7th Street

Wednesday, November 12, 7–8 pm
Fox Chase Branch, 501 Rhawn Street

Holiday Decorating

Wednesday, November 5, 6:30–7:30 pm
Oak Lane Branch, 6614 N. 12th Street

Saturday, November 8, 2–3 pm
Lehigh Avenue Branch, 601 W. Lehigh Avenue

Wednesday, November 19, 6:30–7:30 pm
Holmesburg Branch, 7810 Frankford Avenue

Dried Flower Decorations

Monday, November 17, 7–8 pm
Roxborough Branch, 6645 Ridge Avenue

EMERALD ASH BORER DISCOVERED IN MARYLAND

In August, a Maryland Department of Agriculture nursery inspector discovered emerald ash borers infesting ash trees at a nursery in Prince George's County. Maryland joins Michigan and Ohio as the third state with confirmed infestations of this serious tree pest. Ash trees are one of the most common landscaping trees used in the U.S. and are common in western Maryland forests.

Originally from Asia, the emerald ash borer is an exotic, wood-boring beetle. Adults are dark metallic green in color, 1/2 inch long, and 1/16 inch wide, and are present only from mid-May until early August. Larvae are creamy white in color and are found under the bark.

For more information, please visit the website of the Maryland Department of Agriculture at *www.mda.state.md.us*

CELEBRATE THE AZALEA GARDEN'S 50TH ANNIVERSARY WITH A HOLIDAY GIFT

Located directly behind the Philadelphia Museum of Art, along Kelly Drive, the Azalea Garden was a gift from PHS to the city in the 1950s. Over the past 10 years, PHS, working with the city's Fairmount Park Commission, has restored it to its original beauty and made a long-term commitment to maintain it. This year the garden celebrates its 50th Anniversary!

Replacement plants are needed each year to keep the Azalea Garden looking beautiful. Please consider giving the gift of a plant, in honor of a friend or family member, this holiday season. Current plant needs include a tulip poplar, dogwoods, rhododendron and more than 150 perennials.

This holiday season, consider making a gift that also helps to celebrate one of Philadelphia's premier public spaces. For a complete plant list, please contact Suzanne Betts, PHS development director, at 215-988-8819 or *sbetts@pennhort.org*.

FLOWER SHOW WORKSHOP

Have you always wanted to enter your plants in the Philadelphia Flower Show but weren't sure how to go about it? Bring your questions to a free workshop for fledgling horticulture exhibitors on Saturday, January 24, 2004 at noon, in the PHS Auditorium, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia.

The Horticulture chairs and other experienced exhibitors will be on hand to talk you through the entry process and share their tips for transporting and displaying plants. Please contact Jonathan Keogh at 215-988-8821 or *jkeogh@pennhort.org* by January 23 to reserve a space.

HOLIDAY SHOPPING WITH PHS

PHS Offers Gift-Giving Solutions

The Holiday Season is a wonderful time to share your enthusiasm for PHS. By choosing one of the thoughtful gifts below, you'll also help support PHS and its community greening projects throughout the year.

PHS gift memberships are available by calling membership services at 215-988-8776 or x8832, or going to ***www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org***. We'll send a card in your name to welcome new members to the PHS family.

The **PHS Shoppe by Mail** has several lovely gift items. The new **PHS silk twill scarf**—orchid flowers on a black background and a bright pink border—celebrates the Flower Show's 175th anniversary. A new, limited-edition **sterling silver trowel brooch** is a collector's item, as only 175 brooches were hand-made for PHS by a local artist. And in celebration of the poinsettia's introduction at the first Philadelphia Flower Show, the Shoppe has released a beautiful **poinsettia notecard** suitable for holiday mailing. For further information or to purchase Shoppe items, please call 215-988-1613 or email *ckelly@pennhort.org*.

A gift of **tickets to the Philadelphia Flower Show** gives pleasure not once, but twice—when given and when enjoyed! The same can be said of reservations for the **Garden Tea** at the Flower Show. (Tea tickets do not include Flower Show admission). Flower Show ticket and Garden Tea information is available at *www.theflowershow.com*, or by calling 215-988-8879.

And don't forget the **brand-new coffee-table book, *The Philadelphia Flower Show, Celebrating 175 Years*** (published by HarperCollins). See below for details.

Special Holiday Savings for PHS Members

In November and December, there are two not-to-be-missed shopping events for PHS members. If you have friends or neighbors who would like to join PHS, please encourage them to join by November 1 to take advantage of these opportunities—just in time for the holidays. PHS is grateful to Smith & Hawken and Styer's Nurseries, who make these special promotions possible.

Smith & Hawken Day, Sunday, November 9

Once again, Smith & Hawken will offer a special shopping day for PHS members, offering a 20% discount on merchandise in all S&H stores nationwide. Simply present your membership card or the S&H postcard (sent to you in the mail) for the one-day shopping discount. PHS membership representatives will greet you and offer light refreshments at the Bryn Mawr and King of Prussia stores. If you patronize a Smith & Hawken store in another area or state, the discount is still in effect; please present your membership card along with the postcard you receive in the mail. **The sale is for one day only. Catalog orders are not included.** Sunday store hours vary; please call your favorite store for hours.

J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Tuesday, December 9, 4–8 pm

PHS members are invited to a four-hour, holiday shopping event at Styer Nurseries, 914 Baltimore Pike, in Concordville, PA. Members will receive 25% discount on all merchandise, including a large selection of holiday greens, ornaments, decorations, stocking-stuffers and more. Light refreshments will be served, and membership representatives will be there to greet you. Simply present your membership card to receive the PHS discount from **4–8 pm only**.

THE FLOWER SHOW BOOK

On November 1st, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society proudly presents **The Philadelphia Flower Show, Celebrating 175 Years** (published by HarperCollins). This magnificent hardcover book is the first-ever volume to capture the majesty and spectacular color of this event.

Written by award-winning garden writer Adam Levine (*Garden Design, This Old House, Green Scene*) and long-time Flower Show exhibitor Ray Rogers, the 282-page book features hundreds of gorgeous photographs and an introduction by noted garden-guru Ken Druse.

Along with wonderful images of the Flower Show past and present, there are colorful anecdotes from long-time exhibitors and stories about the Show's history. Surely, this is a must-have book for any faithful visitor to the Philadelphia Flower Show, as well as those who admire it from afar. It will be available at Borders and other bookstores, as well as online through the Flower Show website, *www.theflowershow.com*.

TRAVEL WITH US IN 2004

Gardens of Spain
April 13 – 24

Join fellow PHS members and guests for a garden tour of Spain focusing on the two Spanish provinces of Madrid and Andalusia. In addition to wonderful private gardens in Andalusia, we'll visit famous cultural sights like the Alhambra, Gibraltar, the hilltown of Ronda, the Prado, and the Great Mosque in Cordoba. We'll stay in superior first class hotels in Madrid, Seville, Malaga, and Granada. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan, of JL Tours, will accompany the group.

Gardens of the Lake District and Lincolnshire, England, with Jane Pepper
June 6 – 17

Don't miss this opportunity to see two completely different and very interesting parts of Britain.

The Lake District, famed for its mountains and lakes, inspired Wordsworth to write his poem, "The Daffodils," and the yellow blooms still line the roadsides in spring. Here, the sound of water running off the hills echoes almost everywhere, and the climate, warmed by the Gulf Stream, makes this area a paradise for gardeners.

The second leg of the journey will be to Lincolnshire, which has three distinct faces: the Fenns, drained by the Dutch in the 17th century, lie four feet below sea level with land so fertile you can almost watch plants grow; the Wolds, where low, rolling hills shelter beautiful old manor houses; and the West, where fine estates and great houses sit proudly in the landscape.

On this tour, led by PHS president Jane Pepper, we will visit a wide variety of gardens, small and large, and nearly all privately owned. Micky and Patsy Blacklock, who have organized many successful UK tours for PHS over the past 15 years, will make all arrangements and will travel with the group.

The tour will fly direct via US Airways from Philadelphia to and from Manchester, where we will spend our last two nights. This city, once the hub of the Industrial Revolution, has regenerated itself with world-class art galleries, a host of interesting restaurants, shops and cultural attractions, as well as fine architecture.

Gardens in Maine
July 20 – 25

Many longtime friends of PHS who vacation in Maine are extending a welcome to PHS members and guests by helping to plan this stellar, six-day trip to private gardens in this lovely state. The unbeatable combination of gardens, sunshine and water will be very appealing as we visit Islesboro, North Haven and the Northeast Harbor area. Overnight accommodations will be in Camden for two nights and Northeast Harbor for three. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan, of JL Tours, will accompany the group.

Itineraries for all trips are available on the PHS website (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*). To receive a printed copy, please contact Betsy Blodgett at 215-988-8818 or *bblodgett@pennhort.org*.

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from March 7 – 14, 2004. If you would like to help, please check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

Exhibitor Aides: Help exhibitors transport plants from D-Hall to freight elevator and to entry area. Entry-level job.

Runner: Carry cards for corrections to and from typing table. Entry-level job.

Recorder: Log information on plant entries. Attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure are required.

Clerk: Accompany horticulture or design judging teams; record judges' decisions and place award ribbons.

Infonet: Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or staff an information booth.

PHS Shoppe: Cashiers needed to ring sales on cash register, charge on credit card machine, and give change with a smile! (*Retail experience a plus.*)

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (daytime)_____Email _____

To sign up, **please return this coupon by December 1, 2003** to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495; or contact Betty at 215-988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org*. We will contact you with more information.

ANNUAL AWARDS

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Noxious Weeds Task Force. She has co-authored many articles and books, including the 1,600-page *The Plants of Pennsylvania: An Illustrated Manual*, published in May 2000.

Certificates of Merit

Cecily Clark

Cecily Clark has been active at PHS for many years and has been a strong advocate for PHS and its mission. Known as an outstanding horticulturist who shares her talent, knowledge, and enthusiasm, "Ces" has been involved in the Philadelphia Flower Show for 54 consecutive years, either exhibiting in Artistic and Horticulture Classes or serving on a committee. She is a four-time winner of the coveted Edith Wilder Scott Award, given to the best of the blue ribbons in the Horticulture Classes. In addition to her efforts on behalf of PHS, Ces has been very active with the Philadelphia Committee of the Garden Club of America for many years. She is a long-time core member of the Pennsylvania Hospital Physic Garden and has devoted countless hours to its beautification.

Beverly and Delmer Gill

Over the years, these dedicated volunteers have been champions for Philadelphia Green. Known for wearing look-alike tee shirts, this couple makes a good gardening team and they have done much to pass on their love for community gardening to others. "Beverly loves to grow the plants, and I like to make something out of them," notes Delmer, an exhibitor in the Flower Show's Artistic Classes. They connected with Philadelphia Green through their longtime involvement at the Awbury Arboretum Community Garden and have served on Philadelphia Green's Advisory Board, which Beverly has also chaired. They are active volunteers at the Flower Show, where you can usually find them manning the Philadelphia Green exhibit or answering questions at the horticultural information booth.

Joan and Jack Harvey

Joan and Jack Harvey are great friends of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, not to mention outstanding Flower Show exhibitors and volunteers. Jack was the first in the Harvey family to become involved, wearing a jaunty red bandana as he worked in the Horticourt as a stager and passer. In the pre-computer days, he also helped calculate points to determine the sweepstakes winners. Jack is the driving force in the Harvey gardens, and is involved with The Appleford Estate, a lovely park in Lower Merion Township. Joan first became involved as an exhibitor, entering her "small offerings," as she calls them, in the Horticulture Classes. She has served as chair of the Container Class, as well as Horticultural Judges, and now is vice-chair of the Flower Show Awards Committee. Joan is very active with The Gardeners and the Garden Club of America.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

FREE LECTURE SERIES

This winter and spring, **PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science** will co-sponsor two multi-session courses, *Plant Anatomy* and *The Changing Flora of the Philadelphia Area.* These courses are free, open to the public, and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call (215) 763-6529, ext. 23. Registration begins on Monday, November 17.**

Plant Anatomy

Tuesday, January 20 and five Mondays–January 26 through February 23, 6:30 pm (Please note the first class is Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday)
PHS Auditorium

Knowing about how plants work leads to a better appreciation for their complexity and a better understanding of what they need. This course, presented by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, will survey the structure of plant organs and tissues. Lectures will include numerous illustrations to help you develop your "microscope eyes."

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science. Her specialty is botany and plant diseases.

The Changing Flora of the Philadelphia Area

Five Mondays, March 29–April 26, 6:30 pm
There also will be a field trip on a Saturday in April.
PHS Auditorium

This course, taught by **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler**, will focus on the history of the flora in southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and northern Delaware from the end of the last glaciation to the present. We will discuss how climate change and human activity have altered species composition and what this means for the future of the flora. Finally, we will consider procedures that protect and enhance species diversity.

Dr. Alfred E. (Ernie) Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences, where he has worked since 1962. He received his Ph.D in botany from the University of Michigan in 1963, has taught at Swarthmore College, the University of Montana, and Rutgers University, and has more than 50 scientific publications to his credit. He currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation, the Wagner Free Institute of Science, and Millersville University.

WORKSHOPS

GLASS BOWL TERRARIUM

Wednesday, November 12, 10 am–12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Create an exquisite world in miniature under glass and add an unusual touch of elegance to your home. Meadowbrook horticulturist **Virginia Page** will demonstrate how to plant and care for special types of begonias and ferns in glass bowls. You will plant your own 8" glass bowl with your choice of either a begonia or fern. You will have everything you need to enter your creation in the Philadelphia Flower Show! Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.

WREATHMAKING STYER'S STYLE

Saturday, December 6, 1–3 pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

In this workshop, you will create a truly personal holiday wreath. Styer's staff members **Cindi Kistler and Theresa Rowan** will guide you through the basics of wreathmaking, and you'll design your own 14- to 16-inch, all-natural wreath. Choose from a variety of fresh greens. All materials will be provided. Please bring pruners and gloves and dress for the weather. Limit 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.

CREATING A BOXWOOD TOPIARY

Thursday, December 11, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Make your own boxwood topiary to grace your holiday table or give as a gift. Under the expert guidance of **Jane Godshalk**, we will start with a boxwood in oasis and decorate it with mixed greens, pine cones, ribbons, or whatever your imagination allows. Feel free to bring greens to decorate your topiary, we will supply the plants, pots, more decorating material and expert advice. Please bring your favorite gloves and clippers. Jane Godshalk, who lectures widely, is an award-winning exhibitor at many flower shows and an advisor to artistic judges at the Philadelphia Flower Show. Limit 20. Fee: $70 members, $80 non-members.

CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Thursday, January 15 (Snow/cold Date: January 22) and Wednesday, March 24, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden resembles a miniature world, with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space that is small enough to fit onto your porch. In the January session of this two-part class, you will create the trough using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form under the guidance of rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**. The trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In March, you will plant your trough with sun-loving miniature perennials and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of your hand-made container. Limit: 15. Fee: $110 members, $120 non-members.

IN THE GARDEN

KNOWING AND GROWING HOLLY

Saturday, November 15, 1–3 pm
Wallingford, PA

Betty Kassab has spent many years knowing and growing holly. She welcomes visitors to her extensive garden and shares her many cultivars by offering cutting material to interested folks. Eleanor Ford, Betty's daughter, is also a missionary for holly and has added many perennials to the property, giving another interest to a different season. Please take advantage of this great opportunity to learn about this diverse group of essential ornamental plants from real experts. Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

EVENING LECTURE

CLEMATIS FOR TODAY'S GARDENS

Tuesday, January 6, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

At the Philadelphia Flower Show this year, **Raymond J. Evison, Ltd** will create a major clematis display featuring four new clematis cultivars introduced to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Royal Horticultural Society. Here is a unique opportunity to preview these new cultivars and feast your eyes on many more! Internationally acclaimed clematis breeder Raymond J. Evison, owner of Guernsey Clematis Nursery Ltd and Raymond J. Evison Ltd, will present both old and new clematis. He'll discuss where they may be grown in the garden and provide hints on cultivation, including when and how to prune. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.

Raymond J. Evison, O.B.E., V.M.H., is a nurseryman and breeder, award winning horticultural exhibitor, horticultural judge, lecturer, author and photographer. He has been responsible for introducing many new clematis into cultivation for the world's gardening market, including more than 100 species and cultivars into the United Kingdom.

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 this evening. A reception with light refreshments and wine will follow the lecture.

DEMONSTRATION

SAFE PEST MANAGEMENT INDOORS (AND OUT)

Wednesday, January 14 (Snow date: January 21)
10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

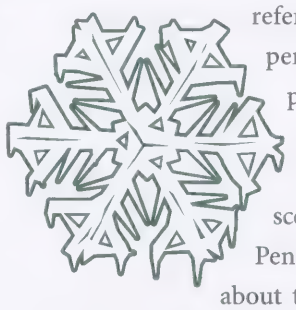
We all get bugs on our plants from time to time. In this program, Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Jessica Story** will show how to scout for and identify common indoor plant pests and diseases and explain the safest treatments for indoor use. Most of the information provided is applicable to outdoor plants too. Feel free to bring a well-wrapped sample of your indoor plant pest(s) to be identified. Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.

WALK

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Wednesday, January 21, 10 am–12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss aspects of winter interest in the garden, particularly with reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook, including a woodland path and the winter scenery around the late Liddon Pennock's estate. Ted will talk about the specific plants we observe, along with other choices. Limit 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.



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☐ Wreathmaking Styer's Style	12/6	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Creating a Boxwood Topiary	12/11	Fee: $70/$80	_____	_____
☐ Create and Plant Your Own Trough Garden	1/15	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Knowing and Growing Holly	11/15	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Clematis for Today's Gardens	1/6	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Safe Pest Management Indoors (and Out)	1/14	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/21	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
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2003 CITY GARDENS CONTEST FIRST-PLACE INDIVIDUAL WINNERS

Following are the winners in the individual categories of the PHS City Gardens Contest. A complete list of all winners is available on the PHS website, ***www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org***. Congratulations to all who entered!

Individual Children's Gardens

Carina Flaherty

Individual Container Gardens

Jonathan Eells
Kim Hanley
Mark Nolte
Joyce Paul
Richard Rutherford
Les Sharpless

Individual Vegetable Gardens

Salvatore Bruno
Stacey Gaines
Lawrence King
Alan McHale
Domenico Scicchitano

Individual Combination Vegetable/Flower Gardens

Diane Kunze/John Neugebauer
Toney Lucas
J. D. Paternoster

Individual Flower Gardens

Bruce Benedon
Gail Chapman
Maria Delgado
Thomas & Suzanne Duffy
Ivey Galitan
Alexander Myers
Rachel Purcell
Samuel, Susana & Sofia Rivera
Ralph Satterthwaite

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

PHS
Attn: Program Activities
100 N. 20th St., 5th floor
Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

2003 PHS SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS

Congratulations to the following recipients of the 2003 Suburban Greening Awards, which recognize outstanding public-space plantings in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Delaware. An awards ceremony was held at PHS on Sunday, October 5. Winners received framed certificates and signs to display in their gardens.

Borough of Macungie, PA
Bridgepoint Park, Doylestown, PA
Cape May County Zoo, Cape May, NJ
Churchville Nature Center, Churchville, PA
CVS, Fountainville, PA
Doane Hall at St. Mary's Academy, Burlington, NJ
Dominican Retreat House, Elkins Park, PA
Thomas Ford Elementary School, Reading, PA
Heritage Drive Perennial Garden, Wilmington, DE
Inn at Montchanin Village, Montchanin, DE
Herb Garden at Jansen Conference Center, Reading, PA
Karen's K-9 Care, Frazer, PA
Keswick Theater Roundabout, Glenside, PA
Lee Park Corporate Center, Conshohocken, PA
Martin Luther King Boulevard Traffic Median, Wilmington, DE
Meadowbrook Bird Sanctuary, Abington, PA
Ocean City Traffic Island, Ocean City, NJ
Peddler's Village, Lahaska, PA
Roslyn Elementary School Jubilee Garden, Roslyn, PA
Tamanend Park, Southampton, PA
Trinity Church, Moorestown, NJ
Uwchlan Meeting House, Uwchlan, PA
Wayne Hotel, Wayne, PA
Birmingham Square Mini Park, West Trenton, NJ
Woodlynde School, Wayne, PA
Zwaanendael Park, Lewes, DE

Borough of Macungie, PA (near Allentown)

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DESTINATION PARADISE

A Preview of the 2004 Philadelphia Flower Show

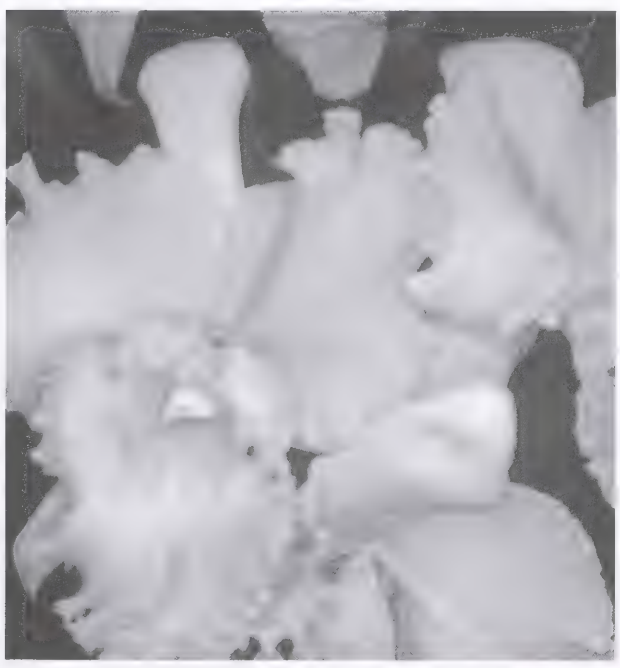
The Philadelphia Flower Show celebrates its 175th anniversary this year with "Destination Paradise," a fantasy visit to an imaginary world of extravagant beauty.

In considering the theme for this year's Show, director and designer Ed Lindemann says he was inspired by "the idea of paradise on earth."

The three Central Feature exhibits express the idea of paradise in different ways. The first, designed by **Waldor Orchids**, will include the largest collection of specimen orchids ever displayed in North America. The exhibit progresses from a wilderness paradise to a man-made one. Visitors enter through an arch formed by ficus trees and festooned with hundreds of orchids and vines. As you move through the exhibit, carved stone faces spout water and mist. A luxurious, candle-lit pavilion rounds out the display.

Solana Succulents, a new Flower Show exhibitor from Solana Beach, California, will create the second Central Feature display. The company's owner, Jeff Moore, will design an "Underwater Paradise" made of succulent plants, designed to look as if you are scuba diving in paradise. Flowers by David from Langhorne, Bucks County, will lend a bit of humor to the Show with the third Central Feature set, "This Place Called Paradise," a horticultural spoof on heaven, complete with pearly gates, a wing-making workshop (for angel wings) and a "stairway to heaven."

photos by Pete Prown



PHS will mount special displays highlighting the current projects of its **Philadelphia Green** program, the nation's most comprehensive urban-greening effort, as well as the **Gold Medal Plant Award Program**. And, as always, visitors can enjoy a variety of activities at the Show, including lectures, workshops and demonstrations; shopping in the Marketplace; the Borders Book Fair; Gardener's Studios in the Main Exhibition Hall; cooking demonstrations; the elegant Afternoon Tea; and other attractions.

Revenues generated by the Philadelphia Flower Show, including contributions from the Show's presenting sponsor, PNC Bank, help support the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's programs, including Philadelphia Green.

See pages 6 and 7 for information on Flower Show-related tours and activities.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

YOU'RE INVITED TO A "BIG BLOOMIN' BIRTHDAY PARTY"

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PEPPERPOT

All in the Family

This fall, several PHS members and friends have let me know of their appreciation for members of our staff. Given that I, too, think they are terrific, I decided to dedicate my first column in the New Year to all PHS staff members to congratulate them for the wonderful work they do and to thank them, on behalf of our members. From Ronnie Whiten and Bettie McGill, who greet you as you step off the elevator on the fifth floor at 100 N 20th Street, to Al Brown, who helps set up rooms and provide refreshments for our many meetings, each PHS staff member is special to me. Each one would be a candidate in my book for the term "treasure," which is how one of our members recently described a particular staff person.

There are 102 of us in total, and most often our jobs are pure joy, such as the moment when the Flower Show opens and we hear sighs of pleasure from PHS members as they wander through the exhibits. There's also something especially gratifying in hearing comments from members of a neighborhood group that has just completed a morning cleanup in their park. They are happy to see the trash collected and trees and bulbs planted, and we are especially pleased at the number of community helpers who have turned out for the event.

Some days are long and hard. Before the Flower Show opens, some staff members spend many hours out on the loading dock—sometimes in snow or rain—trying to allocate too few parking spaces to too many excited exhibitors. Others are asked to play roles they never play during the year, such as ringing up sales in the always-crowded Flower Show Shoppe.

At PHS we often describe ourselves as a family, and we do have fun together. Each fall we arrange a potluck lunch. Two of our best cooks grew up in India, and their offerings are always highly prized, as is the escarole soup that John Tabasco, our administration manager, is asked to produce in ever larger quantities each year. Others have produced delicacies from old family recipes. But for some reason, when I have suggested that maybe a pot of haggis (that is, sheep innards) from my native Scotland would be a good addition to the table, the arrangements committee always turns me down. Oh well—I guess there are picky eaters in every family.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

McLEAN LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Be a Wired Gardener

Start off the gardening year by making sure you always have the latest info on garden-related websites and books, as well as news of gardening lectures, workshops, plant sales and meetings in the Greater Philadelphia Region. Subscribe to The Wired Gardener, the McLean Library's free monthly email newsletter. To subscribe, send an email to *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*. Questions? Call 215-988-8779.

Book Club

The McLean Library's "Stories From the Garden" book discussion group meets the first Thursday evening of each month, 5:45 to 7:45 pm in the library. Join us to read and discuss works of fiction or non-fiction having to do with gardens, plants, or the land.

2004 Reading Schedule

January 8	Henry James, *The Aspern Papers*
February 5	Sue Hubbell, *A Country Year*
April 1	Stephen Ambrose, *Undaunted Courage*
May 6	J. M. Coetzee, *Life and Times of Michael K.*
June 10	Jeanette Winterson, *Sexing the Cherry*

While these meetings are free and open to the public, registration is required. For more information, please contact the McLean Library at *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org* or 215- 988-8782.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ELIZABETH McLEAN

Elizabeth McLean caught "Flower Show fever" back in 1982. That year's theme focused on the 300th anniversary of the founding of Pennsylvania, and displays included reproductions of gardens from the 18th, 19th, and 20th centuries—just the kind of project that would make a garden historian like her feel needed.

Elizabeth was hooked. Over the years, she has filled many roles at the Show. "Her depth of knowledge is invaluable," says Ed Lindemann, Show designer and director. "I always have her right by my side when designing any historical exhibits for the Show." But Ed also relies on Elizabeth for other special assignments, such as making new exhibitors feel welcome. "She's a real ambassador," he says. "She's very outgoing and makes people feel comfortable."

An active volunteer throughout PHS, Elizabeth has served on PHS Council, the Flower Show Executive Committee, and the Development Committee, which helps plan fundraising strategies for PHS. She's also a member of the Education Committee, where she represents the McLean Library. (With her husband's help, the McLean Contributionship made a major contribution to PHS to purchase new furnishings, shelving, and technology for the library when PHS moved to its present location in 1996. It also supported the design of the organization's new website this year.)

Outside of PHS, Elizabeth is associated with a number of area organizations, including the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, the Highlands, and the Academy of Natural Sciences. She has taught at the Arboretum School of the Barnes Foundation, lectures widely, has authored many articles, and is currently working on a book about country houses and landscapes of Colonial Philadelphia. Her five-acre garden in Wynnewood, where she often welcomes PHS members, focuses on native plants. "I'm married to a birder," she notes, "so there is also an emphasis on plants that attract the winged set."

Elizabeth describes herself as "just one of the troops in the trenches." Perhaps that's a bit of an understatement for someone who, in 2002, earned PHS's Distinguished Achievement Medal. But it's a fitting description of the kind of volunteer she is—always willing to dig in.

PROGRESS REPORT: THE GREEN CITY STRATEGY

In June 2003, Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI) awarded a $4 million contract to PHS to begin implementation of the Green City Strategy. As mentioned in previous issues of PHS News, *the Green City Strategy calls for significant improvements to the city's "green infrastructure" as a means to attract new residents and investment. Below, Philadelphia Green director Mike Groman talks about some of the work accomplished in the fall.*

"Over the course of this contract, one million square feet of vacant land (1,000 total parcels) is being cleared, then greened with grass, trees, and wood fencing. More than 60% of this work is underway in the six target communities: Eastern North Philadelphia, North Central Philadelphia, West Philadelphia/Mantua, South Philadelphia, Frankford, and East Mount Airy. We're also overseeing nine community organizations that are performing periodic maintenance of lots that received the city's initial cleaning.

"Contract funds are augmenting our Parks Revitalization Project, a partnership that involves the Department of Recreation, Fairmount Park Commission, and volunteer community groups. We've awarded grants to 31 parks for projects like the much-needed tree pruning of older trees and for community events. Also, we'll be helping residents start 20 new community gardens; 10 sites have been identified, and the groups are working to secure permission to garden on these lots. All of these folks have completed our Garden Tenders training workshops, so they've got the skills and tools to do the work.

"Through the support of the William Penn Foundation, we've been able to start greening projects along commercial corridors like Baltimore Avenue in University City and Germantown Avenue in Mount Airy. With NTI funds, we're growing these efforts, developing landscape plans for Ogontz Avenue in West Oak Lane, Girard Avenue near 30th Street, and Frankford & Cottman in Mayfair.

"With NTI undertaking a significant tree-planting program through the Fairmount Park Commission, our Tree Tenders project will support that effort by turning out trained volunteers to care for the newly planted trees. Finally, we've so far helped residents to create 16 'garden blocks.' We provide the containers, soil and plants, assist with the planting process, and provide advice about long-term care."

Look for more on the Green City Strategy in future issues of *PHS News*, or read more online at the PHS website under the Philadelphia Green menu.

Pete Prown

Volunteers plant bulbs at Hunting Park, a new addition to Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project, at the annual "Fall for Your Park" event on October 11, 2003. The event drew more than 250 volunteers from across the city.

READ MORE ABOUT GREENING

If you would like to learn more about PHS's urban greening efforts in Philadelphia, the following publications are available: *Strategy for a Green City* (formerly *Urban Impact*), which contains in-depth reports on PHS's work in the city (also available on our website); *Philadelphia Green News*, a bi-monthly newsletter for community volunteers; and the manual *Reclaiming Vacant Lots: A Philadelphia Green Guide*. To request copies, please email *editpgnews@pennhort.org* or call 215-988-8871.

Also, PHS executive vice president J. Blaine Bonham, Jr. has co-authored a book, *Old Cities Green Cities*, on the vacant land problem in Philadelphia and other older cities. It is published by the American Planning Association and is available on their website: *www.planning.org*, or by calling 312-786-6344.

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The following workshops take place at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website.

Seed Starting Basics: Easy as "1, 2, 3"

Saturday, January 17, 1 – 2 pm
Cobbs Creek Environmental Education Center
700 Cobbs Creek Parkway (corner of Cobbs Creek & Catharine Streets)

Cactus & Succulent Care with Eva Monheim

Saturday, January 24, 10 – 11 am
Southwest Community Development Corporation
6328 Paschall Avenue

Kitchen Gardening, "Grow It, Don't Throw It"

Wednesday, February 18, 7 – 8 pm
Fox Chase Branch, Free Library
501 Rhawn Street

Propagating Your Houseplants

Wednesday, Februray 25, 7 – 8 pm
Wynnefield Branch, Free Library
5325 Overbrook Avenue

African Violets, the "Perfect House Guest"

Saturday, February 28, 2 – 3 pm
Haddington Branch, Free Library
446 N. 65th Street

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from March 7 – 14, 2004. If you would like to help, please check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

Help Wanted!

If you have nimble fingers, a keen eye for numbers and good memories of ringing a cash register, we want you! Cashier volunteers are needed for the 2004 Philadelphia Flower Show Shoppe. Training will be provided for the cash register, the credit card machine and check authorization. Morning shifts only. To sign up, please submit the volunteer coupon below or contact Cathy Kelly at 215-988-1613 or *ckelly@pennhort.org* for more information.

Flower Show Volunteer

- ☐ **Recorder**: Log information on plant entries. Attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure are required.
- ☐ **Clerk**: Accompany horticulture or design judging teams; record judges' decisions and place award ribbons.
- ☐ **Infonet**: Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or staff an information booth.
- ☐ **PHS Shoppe**: Cashiers needed to ring sales on cash register, charge on credit card machine, and give change with a smile! (*Retail experience a plus.*)

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (daytime)_____Email _____

To sign up, **please return this coupon** to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495; **or** contact Betty at 215-988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org*. We will contact you with more information.

MEMBERS' TICKET(S) FOR THE 2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Please be on the lookout for your PHS members' ticket(s) for the Flower Show. Tickets will be mailed the week of January 20. If you do not receive your ticket(s) by February 2, please call the membership office as soon as possible (215-988-8776 or 8832). When your tickets arrive, please put them in a secure place where you'll be sure to find them at Show time. PHS cannot be responsible for lost or misplaced tickets.

YOU'RE INVITED TO A "BIG BLOOMIN' PARTY"

In 2004, PHS celebrates the 175th anniversary of the Philadelphia Flower Show. Since its inception in 1829, the Flower Show has become the premiere event of its kind in the world. From showcasing the poinsettia to the American public for the first time to presenting unparalleled floral displays, the Show has provided millions of gardeners with inspiration and treasured memories. This year's theme, "Destination Paradise," promises another journey of pleasure and discovery, with acres of surprising new gardening features and plants.

To celebrate this momentous occasion, PHS has planned a host of special events, including a daily sing-a-long at the Show, led by celebrity vocalists, and the introduction of an all-new Show feature—The Wedding Room, sponsored by Spread Eagle Village.

We've also planned some other special activities with our members in mind, including a "Birthday Party" on the Flower Show website (*www.theflowershow.com*) beginning this month. The "Party" features games for the whole family and a chance to win valuable gifts.

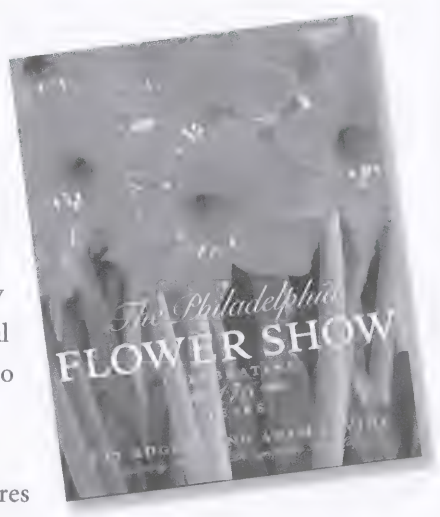
Rounding out the online festivities will be a "Friends of the Flower Show Story Corner," and we invite you to email or mail your favorite Flower Show story (no more than 30 words, please) and send us photos of yourself or family or friends at the Show. These stories and photos will be displayed online throughout February and March. At the Show, we'll select and share some of your memories with the whole Flower Show family by displaying your anecdotes and photos on a larger-than-life birthday card.

To email stories and photos, save your photos as a ".jpeg file" and send to *bday175@pennhort.org*. For regular mail, please address items to PHS, 100 N.20th St. 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103, Attention: Marketing. Unfortunately, we are unable to return photos.

There are more activities and information about the Show to come, so stay tuned to the *PHS News* or the Flower Show website for a complete listing of special events.

GREAT REVIEWS FOR FLOWER SHOW BOOK!

The new book *Philadelphia Flower Show: Celebrating 175 Years* has already earned rave reviews. In *Publishers Weekly*, the veritable bible of the book-publishing industry, one critic wrote: "[Authors] Adam Levine and Ray Rogers guide readers through the pages of this beautifully designed, insightfully written and stunningly photographed backstage tour… Those who have been to the Show will find their experience enriched and enhanced [by this book]. Those who have not will delight in having it brought so accurately to life."



This elegant coffee-table book is available at better book stores everywhere, as well as online at *www.theflowershow.com*.

2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW PRESENTS

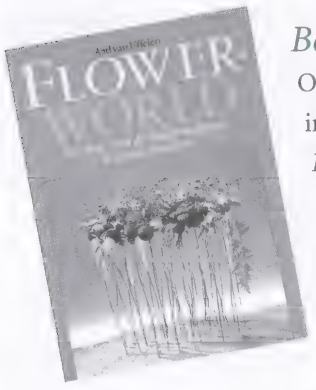
AAD VAN UFFELEN, Master Florist in the Netherlands school of floral art

Floral Demonstration

Wednesday, March 10, 2 – 4:30 pm
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Lecture Hall, Room 114
Preferred Seating (first 3 rows): $50 per person
Open Seating: $35 per person

Workshops

Thursday, March 11
Contemporary Dutch Bouquets, 10 am – Noon
Avant Garde Arrangements, 2 – 4 pm
Both workshops take place at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, Room 113
$125 per participant, limited availability



Book Sales

Order the book by this international master:
Flowerworld: A Road to Floral Art
by Aad van Uffelen
More than 100 photographs, text in English & Dutch, $65

Prices do not include admission to the Philadelphia Flower Show (on the 2nd floor). The floral demonstration and workshops take place on the 1st floor of the Convention Center and do not require Flower Show admission. For more information, please call 215- 988-8879 or email *drogers@pennhort.org*.

Aad van Uffelen Events Reservation Form

Name _____

Address _____

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Phone (day) _____ (eve) _____

Email _____

Payment Method: ☐ Check, payable to *PA Horticultural Society* ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ Amex

Card # _____ Exp. Date ____/____

Signature _____

Kindly reserve the following (subject to availability)

# of tickets	Event	Price	Total
_____	Floral Demonstration, Preferred Seating	$50	_____
_____	Floral Demonstration, Open Seating	$35	_____
_____	Morning Workshop	$125	_____
_____	Afternoon Workshop	$125	_____
_____	*Flowerworld: A Road to Floral Art*	$65	_____
_____	Flower Show Tickets	$20	_____
	Shipping & Handling	$5	$5
		Total	_____

If this reservation is for more than one person, please include the additional name(s).

Send form to: Aad van Uffelen Events, Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

FREE LECTURE SERIES

This winter and spring, **PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science** will co-sponsor two multi-session courses, *Plant Anatomy* and *The Changing Flora of the Philadelphia Area*. These courses are free, open to the public, and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgment. **To register, please call 215-763-6529, ext. 23. Registration begins on Monday, November 17.**

Plant Anatomy

Tuesday, January 20 and five Mondays–January 26 through February 23, 6:30 pm (Please note the first class is Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday)
PHS Auditorium
Knowing about how plants work leads to a better appreciation for their complexity and a better understanding of what they need. This course, presented by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, will survey the structure of plant organs and tissues. Lectures will include numerous illustrations to help you develop your "microscope eyes."

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science. Her specialty is botany and plant diseases.

The Changing Flora of the Philadelphia Area

Five Mondays, March 29–April 26, 6:30 pm
There also will be a field trip on a Saturday in April.
PHS Auditorium
This course, taught by **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler**, will focus on the history of the flora in southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and northern Delaware from the end of the last glaciation to the present. He will discuss how climate change and human activity have altered species composition and what this means for the future of the flora. Finally, he will consider procedures that protect and enhance species diversity.

Dr. Alfred E. (Ernie) Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences, where he has worked since 1962. He received his Ph.D in botany from the University of Michigan in 1963, has taught at Swarthmore College, the University of Montana, and Rutgers University, and has more than 50 scientific publications to his credit. He currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation, the Wagner Free Institute of Science, and Millersville University.

WORKSHOP

CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Thursday, January 15 (Snow/cold Date: January 22) and March 24
10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden resembles a miniature world, with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space that is small enough to fit onto your porch. In the January session of this two-part class, you will create the trough using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form under the guidance of rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**. The trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In March, you will plant your trough with sun-loving miniature perennials and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of your hand-made container. **Limit: 15. Fee: $110 members, $120 non-members.**

WALK

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Wednesday, January 21, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss aspects of winter interest in the garden, particularly with reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook, including a woodland path and the winter scenery around the late Liddon Pennock's estate. Ted will talk about the specific plants we observe, along with other choices. **Limit 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

EVENING LECTURES

CLEMATIS FOR TODAY'S GARDENS

Tuesday, January 6, 6 – 8 pm
PHS Auditorium

At the Philadelphia Flower Show this year, the Guernsey Clematis Nursery, Ltd will create a major clematis display featuring four new clematis varieties the nursery is introducing to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the Royal Horticultural Society. Here is a unique opportunity to preview these new varieties and feast your eyes on many more! Internationally acclaimed clematis breeder

Raymond J. Evison, owner of Guernsey Clematis Nursery Ltd and Raymond J. Evison Ltd, will present both old and new clematis. He'll discuss where they may be grown in the garden and provide hints on cultivation, including when and how to prune. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Raymond J. Evison, O.B.E., V.M.H., is a nurseryman and breeder, award winning horticultural exhibitor and judge, lecturer, author and photographer. He has been responsible for introducing many new clematis into cultivation for the world's gardening market, including over 70 species and cultivars into the United Kingdom.

THE GARDEN IN WINTER

Wednesday, February 25, 6 – 8 pm
PHS Auditorium

Have you dreamed of having a four-season garden, one where each month of the year brings you something to enjoy? A frosty morning in the winter garden can take your breath away with its beauty—isolating and revealing the form of trees, defining structure and clarifying the power of those much-touted "good bones." But there is more than that to enjoy in the winter and early spring garden. There are flowers … flowers of mind- boggling fascination and variety! **David Culp** will share his vision of this season and acquaint you with the possibilities for creating a garden in this challenging, yet rewarding time of year. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

David Culp is sales representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, where he also is responsible for plant research and development. He is an instructor at Longwood Gardens and a noted hellebore hybridizer. His garden is a frequent stop on local tours (including one for PHS on May 25), and has been featured on Home & Garden Television Network (HGTV), Martha Stewart, and in numerous national publications.

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 for evening lectures. A reception with light refreshments and wine will follow each lecture.

BROWN BAG LUNCH/ EVENING LECTURE

RIGHT TREE, RIGHT SPOT

Wednesday, February 18, 12 noon;
Repeated on same date at 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

At the local garden center you've fallen in love with a spectacular specimen—*Franklinia, Parrotia*, or *Quercus*. You must have it! But put that credit card away before you know where to plant that tree. Understanding the concepts behind "Right Tree/Right Spot" can save you big on money, heartache, frustration, and self-doubt. Some considerations include soil type, age at maturity, and proximity to structures and electric lines. Most tree species have specific requirements for healthy growth, such as preference for full sun or partial shade. Some tolerate city stresses such as salt and compacted soil, while others prefer naturalized settings with an abundant, loamy root zone. Join **Hal Rosner** and **Alex Brown** as they discuss all these factors and address your questions. **FREE.**

Hal Rosner is an arborist with Bartlett Tree Experts and has been a tree-care practitioner for more than 30 years. Hal has been on staff at the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, as well as PHS's Philadelphia Green program. Alex Brown is an arborist with PECO Energy.

DEMONSTRATION

SAFE PEST MANAGEMENT INDOORS (AND OUT)

Wednesday, January 14 (Snow date: January 21)
10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

We all get bugs on our plants from time to time. In this program, Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Jessica Story** will show how to scout for and identify common indoor plant pests and diseases and explain the safest treatments for indoor use. Most of the information provided is applicable to outdoor plants too. Feel free to bring a well-wrapped sample of your indoor plant pest(s) to be identified. Limit: 25. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members**

THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW, BEHIND THE SCENES

STYER NURSERIES

Tuesday, February 10, 10 am – 12 noon
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

J. Franklin Styer's exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show are always marked by their distinct brand of creativity. **Michael Petrie**, the nursery's award-wining designer, will treat us to a sneak peek at Styer's exhibit for the 2004 Show. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

WALDOR ORCHIDS

Thursday, February 12, 8 am – 2 pm
Waldor Orchids, Linwood, NJ

At the 2004 Flower Show, a lavish display of orchids will greet you as you enter the Central Feature. How on earth are these things created? This coach tour will take us to **Waldor Orchids** in Linwood, NJ, where we will see the orchids being prepared for their big moment. **Walter Off** will describe how he assembled the country's largest presentation of specimen orchids from around the world and how he will display them. There will be some time to

shop for your own orchids. Fee includes coach travel from PHS or the Horticulture Center and light snacks and beverages. Please bring a bag lunch if you wish. **Limit: 20. Fee: $27 members, $32 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM

Thursday, February 19, 10 am – 12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peek at many of the unusual plants he is growing for Meadowbrook and other major exhibitors at the 2004 Flower Show. This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook's greenhouses will also focus on the art and science, successes and challenges of forcing plants for the Show. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

LECTURE/WORKSHOP/TOUR

DESTINATION PARADISE: THE YEAR OF THE ORCHID

Three Thursdays, February 12 and 26, and March 11, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS Auditorium and the Philadelphia Flower Show

The 2004 Philadelphia Flower Show, themed "Destination Paradise," will feature the country's largest presentation of specimen orchids ever assembled. This course celebrates the exotic world of orchids and culminates in a private viewing of the orchid-filled gateway to this year's Show. In the first session, **Michael Bowell** will discuss the history and lore of orchids and the many types best suited for your home, using slides and many exquisite live examples. The second session will be a workshop in which each participant will pot his or her own orchid to take home. Finally, we will meet at the Flower Show where **Walter Off** will discuss what makes a show-quality orchid and will talk about planning and creating the unprecedented extravaganza of orchids for Destination Paradise. The rest of that evening you are free to enjoy the Show! **Limit: 30. Fee: $120 (includes orchid plant and Flower Show admission).**

Michael Bowell is owner of Create A Scene, specializing in garden design, installation and maintenance, as well as interior gardening with exotic plants. He is a major exhibitor at the Philadelphia Flower Show and other orchid shows and is an accredited orchid judge by the American Orchid Society. Michael writes and lectures frequently on orchid growing and preparing plants for exhibition.

Walter Off is co-owner, with his brother Bill, of Waldor Orchids, in Linwood, NJ. Waldor Orchids was established in 1925 and is one of the oldest exhibitors at the Philadelphia Flower Show, having exhibited there since the 1930s. Walt has been growing orchids all his life, lectures widely, and is an accredited American Orchid Society judge.

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.sas.upenn.edu/CGS*.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Create and Plant Your Own Trough Garden	1/15	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/21	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Clematis for Today's Gardens	1/6	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ The Garden in Winter	2/25	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Right Tree, Right Spot	2/18	Fee: FREE	_____	_____
☐ Safe Pest Management Indoors (and Out)	1/14	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Styer Nurseries	2/10	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Waldor Orchids	2/12	Fee: $27/$32	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Meadowbrook Farm	2/19	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

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Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

PHS
Attn: Program Activities
100 N. 20th St., 5th floor
Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

TRAVEL WITH US IN 2004

Gardens of Spain
April 13 – 24

Space Still Available—Sign up Now

Join fellow PHS members and guests for a garden tour of Spain focusing on the two Spanish provinces of Madrid and Andalusia. In addition to wonderful private gardens in Andalusia, we'll visit famous cultural sights like the Alhambra, Gibraltar, the hilltown of Ronda, the Prado, and the Great Mosque in Cordoba. We'll stay in superior first-class hotels in Madrid, Seville, Malaga, and Granada. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan, of JL Tours, will accompany the group. For an intinerary or to sign up, please contact *bblodgett@pennhort.org.*

Gardens of the Lake District and Lincolnshire, England, with Jane Pepper
June 6 – 17
and
Gardens in Maine
July 20 – 25

These two trips are filled. To have your name placed on the waiting list, please contact Betsie Blodgett at 215-988-8818 or *bblodgett@pennhort.org.*

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THE 2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW IS ALMOST HERE

Special Events and Tips for Visitors

Join us for the 175th Philadelphia Flower Show, March 7 through 14, and enjoy a wide range of special events. All events are FREE with Show admission. For the most up-to-date schedule information, please check our web site, ***www.theflowershow.com*** or pick up a free copy of the official *Schedule of Events* at the Show.

Plan ahead to make the most of your visit!

Special events include a **Happy Birthday Sing-Along** at 10:30 am daily at the Anniversary Cake Exhibit on the Main Show Floor. Also, stop by **PNC Park** to write your birthday wishes on the 175th Birthday Card, or take a trip down memory lane and see photos from past Flower Shows at the Birthday collage. Visit *www.theflowershow.com* for more information and special anniversary offers.

NEW this year, the **Wedding Room**, sponsored by **The Shops of Spread Eagle Village**, will be in room 204C on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall. Romantic vignettes will lead guests on a sigh-inducing walk through their dream wedding from the engagement party to the honeymoon and all stops in between. A floral wonderland presents classic to contemporary designs that combine fragrance, fashion and flowers in new and unusual interpretations. More than 30 specialty shops will showcase the world's most beautiful wedding elements in a unique setting designed especially for the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Do-it-yourselfers will want to attend daily **Wedding Flower Demonstrations** at 5 pm, Monday through Saturday in Room 201B. Presented by the American Institute of Floral Design, these free demonstrations will illustrate how you can create your own fabulous bouquets and arrangements. And on Sunday, March 14, AIFD presents **Bridal Day**, with two special presentations offering dozens of floral ideas for the wedding planner.

Catch up on the latest gardening trends and techniques at daily **lectures and demonstrations** presented by experts, in rooms 201B & 201C. New speakers this year include Dominique Browning, editor of *House & Garden* magazine, and major Flower Show exhibitors Dr. Gerald Barad, Jeff Moore of Solana Succulents, and Raymond Evison of Raymond Evison Clematis. Special thanks to our Lecture Series sponsor **Fiskars Garden Tools**.

The Gardener's Studio, presented by Subaru, features local and national experts conducting gardening demonstrations daily in Hall B. The Gardener's Studio is your opportunity to ask "on-the-spot" questions and get practical gardening information from experts.

At the **All-Star Culinary Presentations**, you'll learn tips and expert kitchen techniques from an exciting lineup of local celebrity chefs, including Joe Poon of Joseph Poon Asian Fusion Restaurant and Daniel Stern of Le Bec Fin. Demonstrations take place three times daily—12 noon, 1:30 pm, and 3 pm. Demonstrations are held in room 204B on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall. Special thanks to host Chef Joseph E. Shilling, dean of education, Art Institute of New York City; the Art Institute of Philadelphia, School of Culinary Arts; and Culinary Presentation sponsor **Viking**.

Planning an overnight stay for the Show? Check out dozens of **special offers at area hotels**. For information on hotel packages, please call Central Reservations at 888-222-1736. Amtrak offers a 20% discount on fares to Philadelphia from March 5 to 16, 2004. Fare is valid for travel on Northeast Corridor on unreserved regional trains. Call Amtrak at (800) USA-RAIL and mention fare code V705. (Some restrictions apply.) For local transportation information, call SEPTA at 215-580-7800 and see page 6 for information on SEPTA discounts.

A complete *Schedule of Events* and the *Official Show Guide*, including a floor plan, will be available for free at the Show.

Buy tickets in advance and save! Tickets may be purchased in advance at a discounted price of $20 at advance-sales ticket outlets including participating PNC branches, AAA Mid-Atlantic offices, ACME Markets, Philadelphia-area and select New York City Borders Books & Music stores, Clemens Markets, Eckerd Drugs, SEPTA ticket sales outlets and at participating garden centers and nurseries. Check availability with individual outlets; service charges may apply. Tickets are also available online at *www.theflowershow.com*.

See you at the Show!

–Elizabeth Anderson

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Pete Prown

Philadelphia Flower Show
March 7–14, 2004

Pennsylvania Convention Center
12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia

www.theflowershow.com

General Admission
Adults: $26 on Opening Sunday (March 7), $24 weekends and $22 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $12 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $20
Group tickets (20 or more people): $19.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8899 (recorded information).

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

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PEPPERPOT

Grateful Thanks

One of the greatest pleasures of my role at PHS is to recognize those who make the Philadelphia Flower Show the best in so many ways. As I'm writing this, I know our landscape exhibitors are facing the challenges of forcing—watching the weather reports and hoping for only mini snow storms, no gale-force winds and plenty of bright, sunny days to bring on the blooms. Among the Competitive Class exhibitors, their challenges may be in greenhouses, but many are on windowsills, under lights or even in refrigerators as exhibitors seek, towards the end of February, to hold back the development of some of their plants. Among the artistic exhibitors, I know some family basements have been taken over so they can practice their designs and seek feedback from friends and family. To you all, as you labor to create those perfect exhibits, be they tiny or tremendous in size, thank you so much for all you do for the cause of the Show.

Many of our wonderful volunteers are also spending hours working with PHS staff members on an array of jobs that include coordinating schedules for other volunteers, pricing merchandize for the Flower Show Shoppe, or sending out buttons and badges, judging schedules and assignments. The list of tasks is endless, as is the enthusiasm. We reckon there are more than 3,500 volunteers who participate in the Show, and we appreciate every one of you.

My very grateful thanks, too, to all of our sponsors. I know that the members of the team at PNC Bank, our presenting sponsor for the 13th year, have their own Show to-do list as they plan client entertainment and special visits for high-performance staff members, a group PNC calls their "Star Performers." We so appreciate PNC's sponsorship and also welcome premiere sponsor, Subaru of America, Inc. for its support. This year, Subaru will provide a new and greatly improved setting for the Gardener's Studio presentations. Applause also for official Show sponsors F.A. Barlett Tree Expert Co., *People Places Plants* magazine, EP Henry, WPVI-TV 6ABC, PNI and ARAMARK.

And finally, thanks to Chef Joseph Shilling and his team at the Art Institute of Philadelphia, School of Culinary Arts, presenters, with some of Philadelphia's finest chefs, of our daily culinary demonstrations.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Farewell to Ed Lindemann

The 175th Philadelphia Flower Show will be the last for Show designer and director Ed Lindemann. Lindemann joined the PHS staff in 1972 as an assistant horticulturist. As such, he gave workshops, answered gardening questions from the public, and helped out in the library. When the Flower Show's previous manager retired, former PHS president Ernesta Ballard asked Ed to take the reins as Show designer, on a trial basis, beginning with the 1980 show. "PHS management never complained about my work or asked me to stop, so I just kept going," Ed says jokingly. "I feel extremely fortunate to have had a job that I've truly loved for 33 years."

Sam Lemheney, associate Flower Show Designer, will assume responsibility for designing the Flower Show in late March this year. Previously, Sam was area manager of the Epcot International Flower and Garden Festival at the Walt Disney World® Resort in Florida, where he oversaw the transformation of the award-winning gardens of Epcot into one of the most exciting flower and garden events in the country. Sam has had a life-long association with horticulture that began with his father and grandfather, both of whom owned and operated flower shops in the region. He received a B.S. in plant science from the University of Delaware in 1991.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT: MIDGE INGERSOLL

Midge Ingersoll became involved with the Philadelphia Flower Show as an exhibitor with her garden club about 18 years ago. Since then, one thing has steadily led to another, and Midge is serving as chair of the 2004 Show. In this role, she is involved with the business side of things, such as meeting with sponsors and major exhibitors and giving early-morning tours. Though she puts in a lot of hours, she describes this job as easy compared to the hands-on work during set-up that she's done in the past as chair of competitive classes and vice-chair of the Show.

"The Flower Show is a bit like summer camp," says Midge. "You spend a lot of time with a group of people for a week or so, then say goodbye until the following year."

A professional artist who often does architectural renderings, Midge also creates drawings of the Central Feature exhibits prior to the Show each year. "It's great fun to work with Ed Lindemann, see the preliminary plans, and imagine what the Show will look like," she says. "It's always a challenge to get it all down on one piece of paper." Her framed pieces—spanning back several years—now hang in the PHS offices.

For Midge, the Flower Show represents a combination of three of her passions—art, architecture, and horticulture. "Add to that the wonderful, generous, talented people I get to work with, and you can see why I've stuck around all these years," she says.

Midge also serves on the PHS Council, the Nominating Committee, the Executive Committee, and the Awards Committee. Outside of PHS, she is president of the Historical Society of Moorestown, New Jersey, where she lives and gardens. She says she especially enjoys sharing the message of PHS and its Philadelphia Green program on "that side of the river."

PHILADELPHIA GREEN NEWS

PHILADELPHIA GREEN AT THE FLOWER SHOW

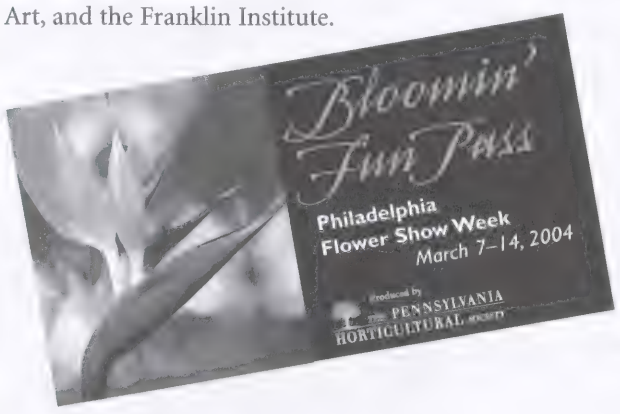
Visitors to the Philadelphia Green exhibit at the Flower Show will encounter a multimedia presentation that looks at the program's wide range of initiatives. "Visitors will learn about the various ways that greening positively impacts Philadelphia's communities and residents," notes Flossie Narducci, PHS special events manager.

Each section of the exhibit will feature messages that focus on the social, economic, and health aspects of greening, with catchy sayings such as "Seeing Greens is Every Bit as Healthy as Eating Them," "Planting Trees Gets Rid of Shady Characters," and "Beauty Beats Blight." Large photographic murals and video footage of recent greening activities across the city will capture the spirit of Philadelphia Green. And look for the ever-popular "hanging windows" overflowing with colorful window-box planters, which will be suspended from the Convention Center's ceiling.

PHS extends generous thanks to F. A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co. for sponsoring this year's Philadelphia Green exhibit at the Flower Show. The exhibit will be located on the main Show floor, just to the left of the PHS Flower Show Shoppe and Membership booths.

BLOOMIN' FUN PASS

During Flower Show Week—March 7 through 14—present your Bloomin' Fun Pass to enjoy **special offers, events, and discounts at area restaurants, shops, theaters, gardens, and hotels**. Pick up your Bloomin' Fun Pass at PHS headquarters or at the following locations: PNC Bank branches, Philadelphia International Airport, Independence Visitor Center, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, area malls (Franklin Mills, The Shops at Liberty Place, The Gallery at Market East), Center City District kiosks, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Franklin Institute.



TRAVEL WITH US

Gardens of Spain
April 13 –24, 2004

There is still time to join our spring trip to Madrid and Andalusia in Spain. Visitors are drawn to this country by its rich cultural history, spectacular countryside, and the natural warmth of its people. Snow-capped mountains, deserts, plains and storied beaches offer a rich variety of landscape.

Our tour starts in **Madrid**, where we'll tour the Prado, one of the world's greatest art museums, and visit the **Botanic Garden**. Next we'll travel to the fabled region of Andalusia, the eight provinces across southern Spain that reflect the cultures of Spain's many invaders, particularly the Moors.

Our itinerary includes visits to the impressive mosque or **Mezquita** in **Córdoba**; the **Alcazar** in **Seville**, the royal residence surrounded by secluded patios and gardens; the great gardens of the **Alhambra** in **Granada**; private gardens along the **Costa del Sol**; and a day's glimpse of **Gibraltar**, the English colony in the Mediterranean.

Hotel accommodations are first-class in Madrid, Seville, Granada, and a *parador* in Málaga. (*Paradors* are government-run hotels in exceptional old buildings or interesting tourist areas.) We'll also lunch in a *parador* in picturesque **Ronda**, one of the famous *pueblos blancos*, or white towns.

Private garden along Spain's Costa del Sol

Isabel Wrench, an English landscape architect who has led many tours in Spain and other countries, will lead our tour. **Michael Harvey**, an English garden designer and nurseryman who lives in Spain, will guide us through private gardens along the Costa del Sol.

Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group. For more information or to receive a brochure, please contact Betsy at 215-988-8778, *bgullan@pennhort.org*; or Jean at 610-688-0307, *jltours@att.net*.

MEMBERSHIP TIPS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW

PHS members' tickets were mailed the third week in January. If you have not received your ticket(s) by February 1, please contact Member Services as soon as possible (215-988-8776 or 215-988-8832). Please store your tickets in a safe place where you can find them at Show time. **PHS cannot replace lost or misplaced tickets.**

Renew Today

If your membership expires soon, please renew today so we can guarantee the timely delivery of Show tickets and information. We cannot guarantee delivery by mail of Show tickets for new, renewing, or upgrading memberships received after February 12. It's easy to renew in person, by mail, by fax (215-988-8810), phone (215-988-8776 or x 8832), or through the PHS web site (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*). **Please consider upgrading your membership** to receive additional tickets for the 2004 Show. To upgrade, please call the number listed above.

Extra Tickets for the Preview

Only members can buy extra tickets for the Members Preview on Saturday afternoon, March 6, noon to 3:30 pm. Cost: adults $60 and children $25. In most cases, it is easier and less expensive to upgrade your membership than to purchase single tickets.

PHS Members receive special benefits at the Flower Show:

The Members' Lounge, located on the Show level, is open to all members (with membership cards) from Sunday, March 7 through Sunday, March 14. This is a quiet spot where you can rest your weary feet while enjoying a complimentary cup of coffee or tea. The lounge opens at 10 am each day and closes at 4 pm on Sundays and 7 pm all other days.

Shopping Discounts

Members enjoy discounts at the **PHS Flower Show Shoppe**, located on the Show floor. Many generous vendors in the **Marketplace** also offer member discounts. The average discount is 10%. For discounts, you **MUST** present your current membership card before the sale is rung on the cash register. A list of participating vendors will be available at the Show at both membership booths and in the Lounge. The list will also be posted on the PHS web site beginning February 1.

See you at the Flower Show!

2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW MAJOR EXHIBITORS

Major Exhibitor Competitive Categories

The symbol next to the exhibitor's name indicates the category in which they will be competing at the 2004 Philadelphia Flower Show.

- By Invitation ◆
- Academic Educational ★
- Nonacademic Educational ✪
- Nonacademic Educational —Plant Societies ✳
- Floral Design ▲
- Landscape ●
- Not in Competition for PHS Awards ✚
- Central Feature ◗

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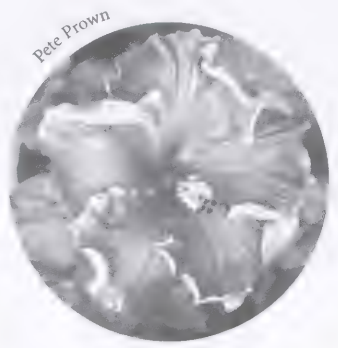

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW, BEHIND THE SCENES

STYER NURSERIES

Tuesday, February 10, 10 am – 12 noon
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Concordville, PA

J. Franklin Styer's exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show are always marked by their distinctive brand of creativity. **Michael Petrie**, the nursery's award-wining designer, will treat us to a sneak peek at Styer's exhibit for the 2004 Show. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

WALDOR ORCHIDS

Thursday, February 12, 8 am – 2 pm
Waldor Orchids, Linwood, NJ

At the 2004 Flower Show, a lavish display of orchids will greet you as you enter the Central Feature. How on earth are these things created? This coach tour will take us to **Waldor Orchids** in Linwood, NJ, where we will see the orchids being prepared for their big moment. **Walter Off** will describe how he assembled the country's largest presentation of specimen orchids from around the world and how he will display them. There will be some time to shop for your own orchids. Fee includes coach travel from PHS or the Horticulture Center and light snacks and beverages. Please bring a bag lunch if you wish. **Limit: 20. Fee: $27 members, $32 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM

Thursday, February 19, 10 am – 12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peek at many of the unusual plants he is growing for Meadowbrook and other major exhibitors at the 2004 Flower Show. This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook's greenhouses will also focus on the art and science, successes and challenges of forcing plants for the Show. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

LECTURE/WORKSHOP/TOUR

DESTINATION PARADISE: THE YEAR OF THE ORCHID

Three Thursdays, February 12 and 26, and March 11, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS Auditorium and the Philadelphia Flower Show

This course celebrates the exotic world of orchids and culminates in a viewing of the orchid-filled gateway to the 2004 Flower Show. In the first session, **Michael Bowell** will discuss the history and lore of orchids and the many types best suited for your home, using slides and many exquisite live examples. The second session will be a workshop in which each participant will pot his or her own orchid to take home. Finally, we will meet at the Flower Show where **Walter Off** will discuss what makes a show-quality orchid and will talk about planning and creating the unprecedented extravaganza of orchids for Destination Paradise. The rest of that evening you are free to enjoy the Show! **Limit: 30. Fee: $120 members, $145 non-members (includes orchid plant and Flower Show admission).**

Michael Bowell is owner of Create A Scene, specializing in garden design, installation and maintenance, as well as interior gardening with exotic plants. He has been a major exhibitor at the Philadelphia Flower Show and other orchid shows and is an accredited orchid judge by the American Orchid Society. Michael writes and lectures frequently on orchid growing and preparing plants for exhibition.

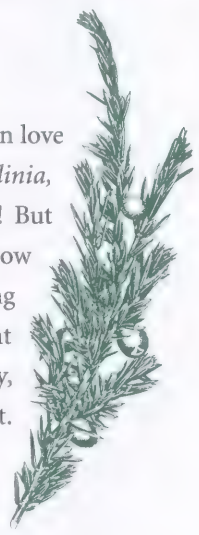
Walter Off is co-owner, with his brother Bill, of Waldor Orchids, in Linwood, NJ. Waldor Orchids was established in 1925 and is one of the longest running exhibitors at the Philadelphia Flower Show, having exhibited there since the 1930s. Walt has been growing orchids all his life, lectures widely, and is an accredited American Orchid Society judge.

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.sas.upenn.edu/CGS*.

BROWN BAG LUNCH/ EVENING LECTURE

RIGHT TREE, RIGHT SPOT

Wednesday, February 18, 12 noon;
Repeated on same date at 6 pm
PHS Auditorium



At the local garden center you've fallen in love with a spectacular specimen—*Franklinia, Parrotia*, or *Quercus*. You must have it! But put that credit card away before you know where to plant that tree. Understanding the concepts behind "Right Tree/Right Spot" can save you big on money, heartache, frustration, and self-doubt. Some considerations include soil type, age at maturity, and proximity to structures and electric lines. Most tree species have specific requirements for healthy growth, such as preference for full sun or partial shade. Some tolerate city stresses such as salt and compacted soil, while others prefer naturalized settings with an abundant, loamy root zone. Join **Hal Rosner** and **Alex Brown** as they discuss all these factors and address your questions. **FREE.**

Hal Rosner is an arborist with Bartlett Tree Experts and has been a tree-care practitioner for more than 30 years. Hal has been on staff at the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, as well as PHS's Philadelphia Green program. Alex Brown is an arborist with PECO Energy.

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EVENING LECTURES

THE GARDEN IN WINTER

Wednesday, February 25, 6 – 8 pm
PHS Auditorium

Have you dreamed of having a four-season garden, one where each month of the year brings you something to enjoy? A frosty morning in the winter garden can take your breath away with its beauty—isolating and revealing the form of trees, defining structure and clarifying the power of those much-touted "good bones." But there is more than that to enjoy in the winter and early spring garden. There are flowers … flowers of mind-boggling fascination and variety! **David Culp** will share his vision of this season and acquaint you with the possibilities for creating a garden in this challenging, yet rewarding time of year. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

David Culp is sales representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, an instructor at Longwood Gardens and a noted hellebore hybridizer. His garden is a frequent stop on local tours (including one for PHS on May 25), and has been featured on Home & Garden Television Network (HGTV), Martha Stewart, and in numerous national publications.

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 this evening. A reception with light refreshments and wine will follow the lecture.

WORKSHOP

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays:
March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11
10 am – 1 pm
PHS 5th floor classroom

By popular demand! If you have always wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality using the challenging medium of watercolor, this is the class for you. This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include: mixing the colors of nature using a limited palette of six colors, making a color journal, specific exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of watercolor brushes and paper. We will work from live specimens, initially using the simpler forms of fruits and vegetables. It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration.

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, Philadelphia College of Arts and Design; New York Botanical Garden; the Philadelphia Museum of Art; and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. Instruction will be based on individual needs and beginners are welcome. **Limit 15. Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Behind the Scenes: Styer Nurseries	2/10	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Waldor Orchids	2/12	Fee: $27/$32	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Meadowbrook Farm	2/19	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Right Tree, Right Spot	2/18	Fee: FREE	_____	_____
☐ The Garden in Winter	2/25	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
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Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

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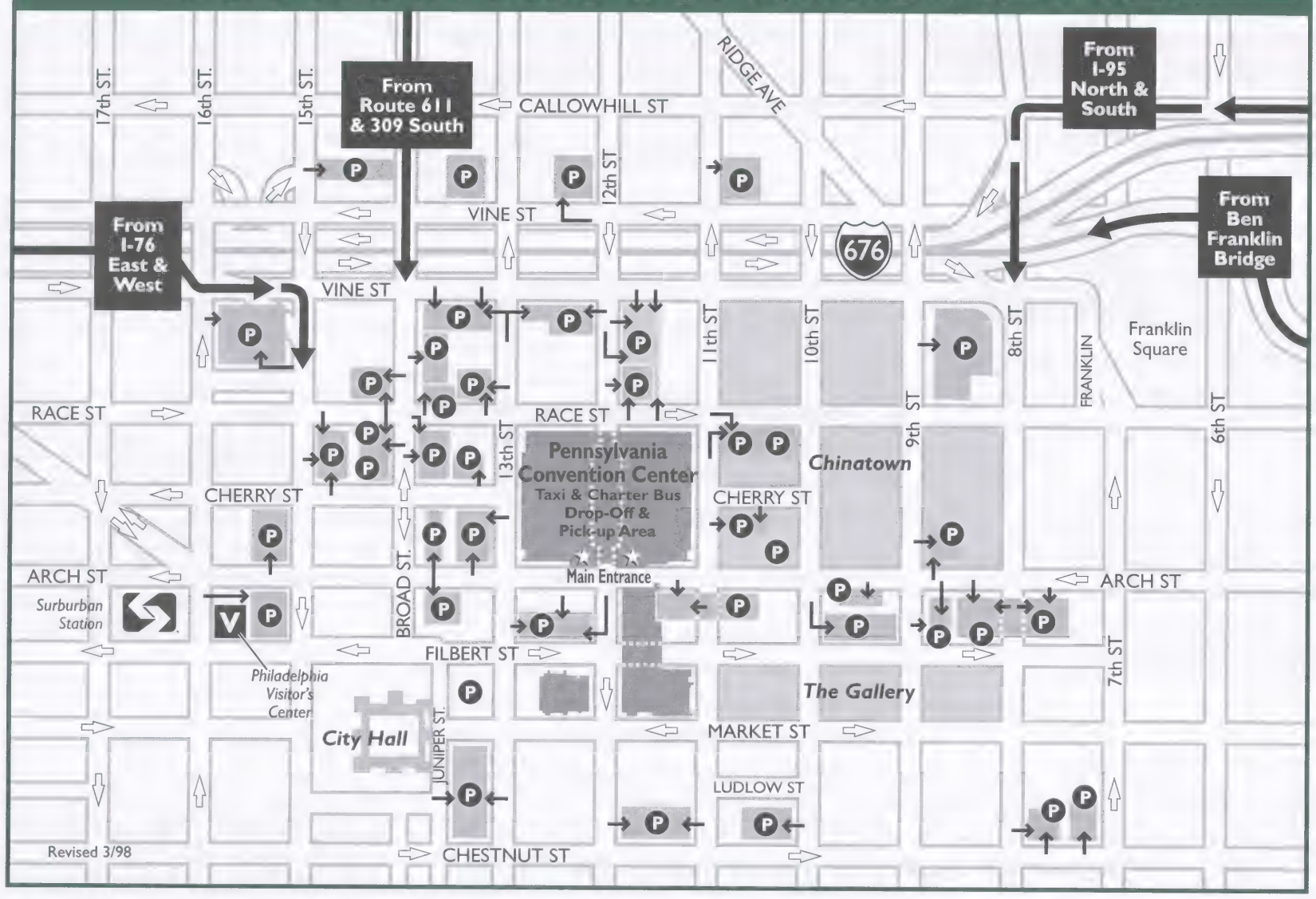

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LAST-MINUTE TIPS FOR FLOWER SHOW VISITORS

Want to know the best things to bring to the Philadelphia Flower Show? Your ticket, your PHS membership card, a gardening notebook, and a pencil or a pen should be at the top of your list.

When to Go

The best time to visit the Show is late in the afternoon. That's right, after 3 pm, the crowds at the Philadelphia Flower Show begin to thin out, leaving you with more room to explore the Show's 10 acres of exhibits, lectures and demonstrations, PHS Flower Show Shoppe and Marketplace (where PHS members enjoy discounts). And since the Show is open until 9:30 pm on all nights (except Sunday until 6 pm), coming later in the afternoon still leaves plenty of time to see everything.

What to Wear

The Show floor is vast so wear comfortable walking shoes and leave the high heels and cowboy boots at home. Also the Show floor tends to be chilly (our flowers love it), so it's a good idea to bring a sweater or jacket.

Whom to Ask

Flower Show volunteers provide a wealth of information and knowledge about the Show. Just look for someone in a bright pink smock, or check in at any Information Booth to find what you're looking for. Looking for an answer to your gardening question? The folks at the Horticultural Information Booth know everything from alpine plants to palm trees.

Where to Meet

Pick a specific location to meet your friends and family. There's more than one entrance to the Convention Center, so if you're planning a rendezvous, pick an identifiable meeting spot on the ground floor of the Convention Center—say, the teacup escalator in the West Concourse (it really is covered with teacups), or go to the Southeast corner of 12th & Arch Streets. You must have a ticket to go up to the Show level; if one person has all the tickets for your group, you'll spend time running around trying to locate each other rather than enjoying the exhibits.

If you get separated from your friends, the PNC Park is located on the Show Floor in the main Exhibition Hall and is the official "lost person's area" of the Show (at your right as you enter). There are regular announcements over the PA system to direct lost persons to the area.

How to See It All!

Once on the Show floor, try walking away from the flow of visitor traffic. Flower Show insiders know that most visitors tend to go to the "Central Feature" section first, located directly in front of you as you enter. Try to spread out and enjoy the less-crowded areas. Look for the Horticulture and Artistic Classes, the miniature-room sections, or the educational exhibits. And don't forget to pick up the Official Schedule of Events, located in racks throughout the Show, to learn about lectures & demonstrations and other special events.

Plan Ahead

Before you come to the Show, visit the Flower Show website (***www.theflowershow.com***), where you'll find directions, parking maps, and a wealth of helpful information.

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Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

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Taking the Flower Show Home

A few years ago, I noticed a woman entering the Flower Show as it opened. About a half hour before closing, I saw her again. It turns out she had been there all day. "This is my spring vacation," she said. "First I saw the exhibits, then I visited almost every lecture, demonstration and Gardeners' Studio presentation you have had today. Now I'm inspired and ready to get my garden going."

This visitor may have been somewhat zealous in her approach to the Flower Show, but according to our surveys, many visitors do go way beyond the "oohs and aahs" of the big exhibits and go home with a notebook filled with practical tips.

This year, according to Eva Ray, director of education services for PHS, more than 85 experts will offer **lectures and demonstrations** (sponsored by Fiskars) in Rooms 201 B&C on the Bridge between the main exhibits and the Grand Hall. Included in the lineup of speakers will be 16 authors, who also will sign copies of their books at the **Flower Show Book Fair**, presented by Borders.

The **Gardener's Studio**, on the Show floor, will have a new look this year, courtesy of Subaru of America, Inc., the Show's premiere sponsor. "Visitors will have more space to sit and enjoy the presentations," says Anne Kellett, who is organizing the presentations with Lee Raden, both long-time PHS volunteers. All Show attendees can pick up a **free Gardener's Guide**, full of spring planting tips, at the "Get Gardening" stand adjacent to the Gardener's Studio.

As in past years, we will hold a **seminar for professional horticulturists and arborists** with the F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Company, in partnership with EP Henry. And for the first time this year, we will host a **conference for owners and employees of independent garden centers** in cooperation with *People, Places & Plants* magazine.

Information about all these educational activities at the Philadelphia Flower Show is listed on our website (*www.theflowershow.com*). To all who volunteer as speakers and in other ways to make these programs possible—and to our sponsors including PNC Bank, presenting sponsor—many, many thanks.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS ON DISPLAY AT THE FLOWER SHOW

If you want to know about beautiful, reliable plants that thrive in our growing region, all you have to do is visit the Gold Medal Plants exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

The PHS Gold Medal Plant Awards program recognizes outstanding trees, shrubs, vines and groundcovers for use in Zones 5 through 7. The exhibit will include selections from hundreds of plants that have been singled out for Gold Medal Awards, which are presented each year.

As in past years, volunteers from the Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association will be on hand to answer questions about Gold Medal plants. Stop on by and say hello!

The Gold Medal exhibit is presented in partnership with Chanticleer Gardens in Wayne, PA (*www.chanticleergarden.org*). For more information and a complete list of Gold Medal plants, please visit the PHS website and click on "All About Gardening."

SAVE THE DATE

Azalea Garden Party
Thursday, May 13, 5:30 – 8:00 pm

Join us on Thursday, May 13, for an evening of great food and good fun—as well as activities for the whole family—at the 2004 Azalea Garden Party. This annual celebration raises funds for year-round maintenance of the Azalea Garden, located just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art in Fairmount Park. Since 1989, PHS has overseen the landscaping and maintenance of this lovely four-acre garden. For information, please contact Ellen Wheeler at 215-988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: DAVID HOLLANDER

As chair of the 2004 Flower Show Preview Dinner Committee, David Hollander has the enviable task of tasting and selecting all of the delicious treats that will be served that night, from appetizers to entrées to wines and desserts.

While that might be one of the more pleasurable assignments, there is a lot of planning that goes into the elegant evening event that kicks off the Flower Show each year. As chair, David has a hand in each step of the process. In addition to helping select the menu, he helps choose the flowers and decorations, hand-writes notes to prospective attendees, and personally welcomes guests when the evening finally arrives.

"It's an enjoyable role," he says. "Because PHS staff—and especially Ellen Wheeler, dinner coordinator—has such a good command of the details, the committee can focus on bringing more people in and coming up with new ideas."

As a partner at Accenture, a global management consulting company, David became involved with the Flower Show several years ago when he decided that the Show presented a great opportunity for entertaining high-profile clients. Each year Accenture hosts about 100 clients at a private dinner overlooking the Show floor. "Year in and year out, it's the favorite event," he says. "People call me up months in advance and ask to be invited back." He'd like to see more area businesses take advantage of the opportunity to entertain clients at the Flower Show.

When he approached Jane Pepper about getting personally involved, she promptly tapped him for the Preview Dinner Committee. David also shares his business perspective as a member of PHS Council, and he recently joined the Executive Committee.

But it's not all business; there's a family connection, too. David's grandmother was a blue-ribbon winner at the Flower Show throughout the 1970s, and other members of his family have participated. "My family has always gone to the Show every year, and now I bring my wife and kids. The Flower Show is one of Philadelphia's greatest resources," he says.

GREEN CITY STRATEGY PROGRESS REPORT: COMMUNITY CORRIDORS TO SEE GREEN

As part of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's one year, $4 million contract with the city of Philadelphia to implement the Green City Strategy, several strategic corridors will receive much-needed landscape amenities. Partnering with local community organizations and public and private agencies (see list below), PHS's Philadelphia Green program will enhance streetscapes that serve as economic lifelines for their neighborhoods.

"To maximize the impact of this work, we're focusing on areas where community redevelopment efforts are already underway," says project manager Carl Haefner.

Six corridors will be addressed: along Baltimore Avenue in the University City section of West Philadelphia; Germantown Avenue in Mount Airy; Ogontz Avenue in West Oak Lane; Girard Avenue near 31st Street; Frankford & Cottman in the city's Mayfair section; and along Oxford Avenue in the Northeast's Fox Chase.

PHS staff is developing landscape designs that include traffic islands, small "pocket" parks, gateways at train trestles and bridges, and new street-tree and container plantings. This will complement community efforts like improvements to business façades and nearby residences, increased litter pickup, streetscape improvements, and ongoing efforts to attract potential investors and retain existing businesses in these areas.

In order to launch successful projects within the one-year timeframe, Philadelphia Green selected local organizations with established corridor programs and, importantly, groups with the capacity and commitment to lead a maintenance program after the greening work is completed. Over the fall and winter, meetings were held with the selected community organizations, and in some cases with a larger cross-section of a neighborhood, depending upon each project's scope. These discussions helped gauge community needs and guide the design process. During the spring and summer, Philadelphia Green will oversee contractors who will put these improvements "in the ground."

"This work reflects the momentum of the past few years, where community development corporations and other neighborhood groups have been taking concerted steps to rebuild or remake the commercial centers of their communities," says Carl, adding that greening is viewed as a key component of these overall revitalization efforts.

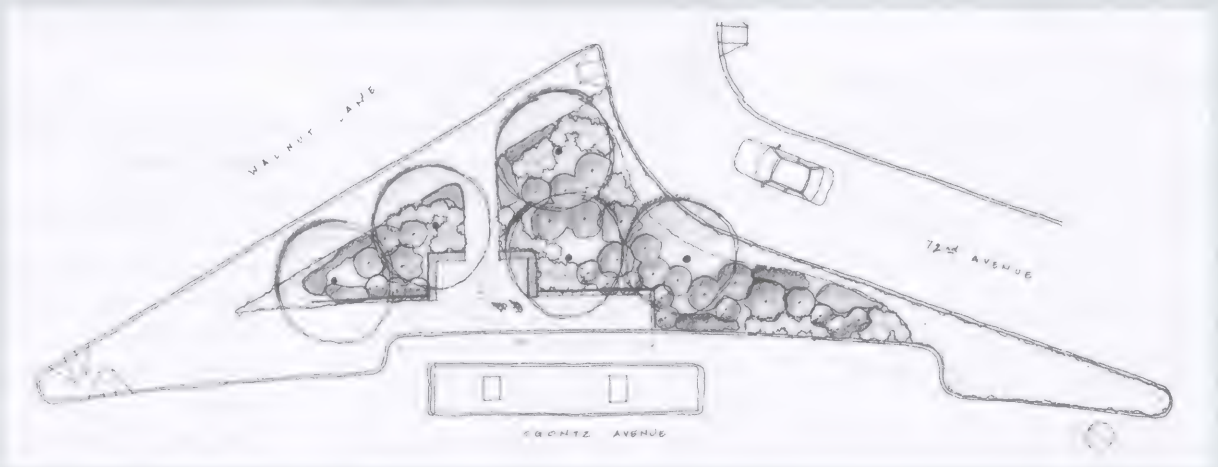
The revitalization work along Baltimore Avenue was one of the earliest corridor initiatives. In two years, the University City District (UCD) has improved the physical environment by stepping up trash and graffiti removal and planting trees along barren blocks. The District is now partnering with Philadelphia Green to convert concrete traffic triangles into green gateways.

"Baltimore Avenue has suffered from decades of neglect and disinvestment," notes UCD executive director Eric Goldstein. "Greening the corridor is one of the best ways to send a message of renewed investment."

– John Gannon

Left: A current view of Ogontz Avenue, which was recently reconstructed

Below: Proposed design for the traffic triangle along Ogontz Avenue



Linda Walczak

Partners: Local Initiatives Support Corporation; University City District; Mount Airy USA; Ogontz Avenue Revitalization Corporation; Girard Avenue Coalition; Mayfair CDC; Fox Chase-Rockledge Business Association; Philadelphia Department of Recreation; Mural Arts Program; Philadelphia Department of Streets; Philadelphia Water Department, Office of Watersheds

Funders: The William Penn Foundation, City of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The following workshops take place at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website.

Herbs, Gardens and Health with Blanche Epps

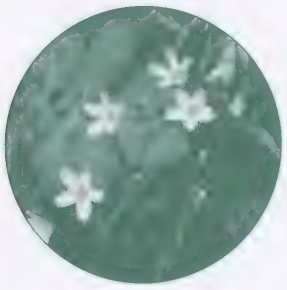
Saturday, March 20, 11:30 – 12:30 pm
Christ Baptist Church
1509 Church Lane

Growing Vegetables in Containers with Charlotte Kidd

Wednesday, March 24, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Rodriquez Branch, Free Library
600 W. Girard Avenue

Gardening in Small Spaces: Backyard Gardens with Eva Monheim

Saturday, March 27, 3 – 4 pm
Frankford Branch, Free Library
4634 Frankford Avenue



Public Gardens, Arboretums, & Educational Organizations

Historic Bartram's Garden
Annual Native Plant Sale, May 8, 10 am – 4 pm
(Members' preview, May 7, 12 noon – 4 pm)
54th & Lindbergh Blvd.
Philadelphia PA
Information: 215-729-5281

Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve
Spring Native Plant Sale
Friday, May 7 – Members Only, 1 – 2 pm lecture, 2 – 7 pm sale
Open to public Saturday & Sunday, May 8 & 9, May 15 & 16, 10 am – 4 pm
Fall Native Plant Sale
Saturday & Sunday, September 11 & 12, 18 & 19, 10 am – 4 pm
1635 River Road
New Hope, PA
Contact: Nancy Beaubaire, 215-862-2924, *bhwp@bhwp.org*
www.bhwp.org

Brandywine Conservancy Wildflower & Native Plant Gardens
Annual Wildflower, Native Plant and Seed Sale, May 8 – 9, 9:30 am – 4:30 pm
Brandywine River Museum, Courtyard
US Route 1
Chadds Ford, PA
Contact: Mark Gomel, 610-388-2700, *mgormel@brandywine.org*
www.brandywinemuseum.org

Churchville Nature Center
Wildflower Sale, May 1 – 2, 9 am – 5 pm
Specialize in Natives and Wildlife plants
501 Churchville Lane
Churchville, PA
Contact: Marlin Corn, 215-357-4005, *mdcorn@co.bucks.pa.us,*
www.churchvillenaturecenter.org

Cylburn Arboretum Association
Market Day, May 8, 8 am – 2 pm
Perennial Day, June 6, 8 am – 2 pm
Plant Lovers Day, September 11, 10 am – 3 pm ($5 admission fee for this event only)
Fee: $4 for parking
Cylburn Arboretum
4915 Greenspring Ave.
Baltimore, MD
Contact: Jane Baldwin, 410-367-2217
www.cylburnassociation.org

Delaware Center for Horticulture
Plant Sale: June 7, 3 pm – 7 pm
Hattie Phelan Community Garden
10th and Pine Streets
Wilmington DE
June 8, 9 am – 3 pm
Valley Community Garden
8th and Jefferson Streets
Wilmington, DE
Contact: Jonathan Lukens, 302-658-6262, *jlukens@dehort.org*

Frelinghuysen Arboretum
Scholarship Tea: March 31, 1 pm – 3 pm
Fee: TBA, registration required.
Spring Symposium: Tender Plants in a Temperate Zone: 9 am – 3 pm.
Fee: TBA, registration required.
Gingerbread Wonderland: December 2 – 12, 10 am – 5 pm. Open until 8 pm on Friday
Friends of Frelinghuysen Plant Sale: May 1, 9 am – 4 pm
Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Ann Abrams, 973-326-7603

The Garden Conservancy
Wilmington 56th Annual Garden Day (Wilmington/Greater New Castle County area of Delaware) May 3, 10 am – 5 pm
Fee: $15 per ticket before Garden Day, 302-654-6172. $18 per ticket on Garden Day, 302-654-6279.
Open Day: Tours of private gardens in Chestnut Hill and Wyndmoor, PA June 6, 11 am – 4 pm
Fee: $5 per garden, book of 6 coupons $25 to non-members, $15 to members
Contact: Eleanor Lloyd, 888-842-2442
www.gardenday.org or
www.gardenconservancy.org

Henry Foundation for Botanical Research
Plant Sale: Native, New and Notable, Friday, April 23 (Members Only), 10 am – 6 pm
Saturday, April 24 and Sunday 25, 10 am – 4 pm
801 Stony Lane (off Henry Lane)
Gladwyne, PA
Contact: Frederica Hammerstrom, 610-525-2037

Montgomery County Cooperative Extension
Master Gardener Plant Sale: May 15, 9 am – 4 pm
Montgomery County 4-H Center
1015 Bridge Road
Collegeville, PA
Contact: Rebecca Boylan, 610-489-4315

Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania
Plant Sale, May 8 – 9, 10 am – 4 pm (free admission)
(members preview, May 7, 10 am – 7 pm)
100 Northwestern Avenue
Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Flo Freeman 215-247-5777, ext. 109
www.business-services.upenn.edu/arboretum

Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust
Spring Native Plant & Wildflower Sale
Friday, April 30, 2 – 7 pm
Saturday, May 1, 11 am – 4 pm
2955 Edgehill Road
Huntingdon Valley, PA
Contact: Nathan Burns, 215-647-0830

Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College
Plant Sale: September, time and date TBA
75th Anniversary Gala, June 25, time TBA. Advance tickets required
500 College Avenue
Swarthmore, PA
Contact: Kelly Ronafalvy, 610-328-8025, *scott@swarthmore.edu*
www.scottarboretum.org

Tyler Arboretum
Arbor Day Plant Sale, April 24, 9 am – 3 pm
515 Painter Road
Media, PA
Contact: Kirsten Warner, 610-366-9134, ext. 210,
kwerner@tylerarboretum.org

University of Delaware Botanic Gardens
Plant Sale: TBA
Fischer Greenhouse
(behind Townsend Hall)
Newark Campus
University of Delaware
Newark, DE
Contact: Dr. John Frett, 302-831-2531

Garden Clubs

Delaware Valley Nature Society
Native Plant Sale: May 1, 9 am – 5 pm; May 2, 10 am – 3 pm
Coverdale Farm
Way Road
Greenville, DE
Copeland Native Plant Gardening Seminar
March 13, 8:30 am – 4 pm
Ashland Nature Center
Brackenville Road
Hockessin, DE
Fee: $75, registration required.
Contact: Linda J. Young, 302-239-2334, *webpage@dnashland.org*
www.delawarenaturesociety.org

Huntington Valley Garden Club
Lecture, "On Thai, Art in Bloom": May 15, 9 – 10 am
Fee: $40
Abington Art Center
515 Meetinghouse Road
Jenkintown, PA
Contact: Bonnie Schorsch, 215-572-7571

African Violets

Tri-State African Violet Council
Annual Show & Sale, November 6, 1:30 – 5 pm; November 7, 11 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, 973-326-7600, *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

African Violet Club of Morris County
Plant Show and Sale, April 3, 1:30 pm – 5 pm; April 4, 11 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, 973-326-7600, *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Bonsai

Great Swamp Bonsai Society
Exhibit and Demonstration, June 5, 10 am – 3 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, 973-326-7600, *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Cactus and Succulents

Philadelphia Cactus and Succulent Society
Plant Sale, May 1 - 2, 10 am – 5 pm
Historic Peddlers Village, Lahaska PA
Ongoing Meetings: 2nd Sunday, May through September
Horticultural Center
Fairmount Park
Philadelphia, PA
Contact: Ray Rogers, *rayro@optonline.net*
www.geocities.com/vines/5275

Chrysanthemum

New Jersey State Chrysanthemum Society
The National Chrysanthemum Show & Sale, October 9, 12:30 – 5 pm; October 10, 11 am – 5 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, 973-326-7600, *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Daffodils

New Jersey Daffodil Society
28th Annual Daffodil Show, April 23, 1 – 5 pm; April 24, 10 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 East Hanover Avenue
Morristown, NJ
Contact: Shirley Cameron, 201-569-9257

Daylilies

Delaware Valley Daylily Society
Daylily Show, July 10, 1 – 4 pm
Paoli Presbyterian Church
223 S. Valley Road
Paoli, PA
Plant Sale, August 28, 9 – 11 am; Auction, 12 noon
Good Samaritan Episcopal Church
Paoli Pike and Route 30
Paoli, PA
Contact: William Graboyes, 610-256-4833

Gloxinias & Gesneriads

Delaware Gesneriad Society of America
Plant Sale: April 3 – 4, 1 – 4 pm
Boscov's Auditorium
Rte. 273
Newark, DE
Contact: Carol Callahan, *mom.callag@aol.net*

Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society
Show and Sale, October 3, 10 am – 4 pm
Haggerty Education Center of the Frelinghuysen Arboretum
53 E. Hanover Avenue
Morris Township, NJ
Contact: Nancy Strong, 973-326-7600, *nstrong@morrisparks.net*

Herbs

Herb Society of America, Philadelphia Unit
65th Annual Herb Society Sale, May 13, 10 am – 2 pm, rain or shine
Historic Yellow Springs Institute
Art School Road
Chester Springs, PA
Contact: Kathy Bepler, 610-566-6261, *kbepler@comcast.net*

Swarthmore Garden Club
Herb Sale, May 8, 9 am – 1 pm
Swarthmore Boro Hall
121 Park Avenue
Swarthmore, PA
Contact: Anne Papa, *aspapa@localnet.com*

Tamanend Park Herb Garden Club
Herb Sale, May 15 – 16, 9 am – 3 pm
Tamanend Park
2nd Street Pike
Southampton, PA
Contact: Laura May, 215-442-1619, *Laura_May@worldnet.att.net*

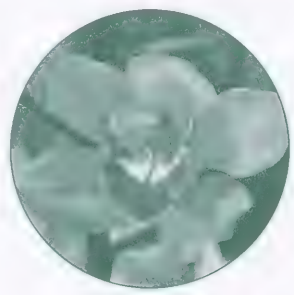
Hostas

Delaware Valley Hosta Society
Hosta Show and Sale, March 20
Show: 2 pm; Plant Sale: 12:30 pm
Brandywine Valley Park Inn and Suites
US 1 and US 202
Glen Mills PA
Contact: Eva Jones, 410-939-3871, *www.dvhosta.org*

Orchids

Delaware Valley Orchid Council
16th Annual Speakers Forum, March 27, 8:30 am – 4 pm
Wyndam Hotel
Mt. Laurel, NJ
Speakers: Dennis Kao: *Orchid Production in Taiwan*; Darrin Norton: *Growing Cool and Intermediate Orchids*; Dr. Yin-Tung Wang: *Growing the Best Phals*
Fee: $35 includes lunch, register by March 1st and enter plant raffle.
Contact: Lois Duffin, 215-248-3626

Greater Philadelphia Orchid Society
Orchid Preview and Auction, September 23
Preview 7 pm, Auction 7:30 pm
Ongoing: Monthly Meeting, 4th Thursday, 8 pm except November/December, 3rd Thursday
Merion Friends Activity Center
615 Montgomery Avenue
Narberth, PA
Contact: Lois Duffin, 215-248-3626, *www.netaxs.com/~birman/gpos.html*



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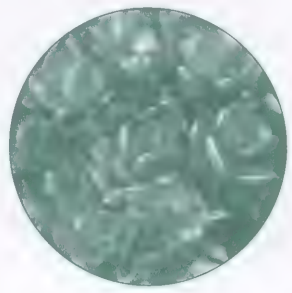

South Jersey Orchid Society
Annual Orchid Auction, November 21, 1 pm
Ongoing: Monthly Meeting, 3rd Sunday, September – May
Wenonah Methodist Church
Willow and South Clinton Streets
Wenonah, NJ
Contact: Robert Bacon, 856-665-4273

Perennials & Woody Plants

Perennial Plant Association
Symposium, July 5 – 10
Fee: Call for registration and fee
Grant Hyatt Hotel
New York City
Contact: Steven Still, 614-771-8431, *ppa@perennialplant.org*
www.perennialplant.org

Rhododendrons

American Rhododendron Society, Valley Forge Chapter
Plant Sale, May 1 – 2, 11 am – 3 pm
Jenkins Arboretum
Berwyn Baptist Road
Devon, PA
Contact: Joan Warren, 610-913-0005, *srwjmw@att.net*

Rock Gardens

North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter
Meeting/Chapter Plant Show, Saturday, April 17, 10 am; guests welcome
Greater Plymouth Community Center
2910 Jolly Road
Plymouth Meeting, PA
Contact: Joan Schmitt, 610-363-7693
www.dvcnargs.org

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET IT

Volunteers Needed for Spring Garden Visits

Volunteers are needed to welcome PHS members to private gardens on the popular spring garden tour. This year's Garden Visits will spotlight gardens in Ambler (May 16), Haverford (June 6), and the Brandywine Valley (June 20). Volunteers shifts run from noon to 2 pm and from 2 pm to 4 or 5 pm. This is an ideal opportunity to spend a Sunday afternoon at an exceptional garden, as well as meet and greet fellow PHS members. You can also visit the other gardens before or after your shift. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*.

SAVE THE DATE

City Hall in Bloom, May 20

In cooperation with the Fairmount Park Commission, PHS will host the 13th annual City Hall in Bloom, a volunteer planting of colorful annuals in City Hall's perimeter beds and Dilworth Plaza. Join fellow PHS members, PHS staff, school groups and other volunteers to help beautify this Philadelphia landmark. This year, we'll plant a mix of begonias, coleus, and variegated vinca vine.

City Hall in Bloom will be held on Thursday, May 20, beginning at 9:30 am, rain or shine. To volunteer, please contact Joan Kapczynski at 215-988-8865 or *jkapczynski@pennhort.org*.

John Gannon

WORKSHOPS

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays:
March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 20, 27, May 4, 11
10 am – 1 pm
PHS 5th floor classroom

By popular demand! If you have always wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality using the challenging medium of watercolor, this is the class for you. This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include: mixing the colors of nature using a limited palette of six colors, making a color journal, specific exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of watercolor brushes and paper. We will work from live specimens, initially using the simpler forms of fruits and vegetables. It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration.

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, Philadelphia College of Arts and Design; New York Botanical Garden; the Philadelphia Museum of Art; and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. Instruction will be based on individual needs and beginners are welcome. **Limit: 15. Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members.**

TROUGH PLANTING

Wednesday, March 24, 1 – 3 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

A trough garden resembles a miniature world with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space small enough to fit onto your porch or patio. In this class, we will plant a pre-fabricated trough with a range of sun-loving miniature perennials and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of the trough. Rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit** will lead the workshop and share tips for taking care of your garden throughout the season. **Limit: 15. Fee: $125 members, $135 non-members.**

PROPAGATING PERENNIALS

Wednesday, March 31, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Add new plants to your garden for free by learning to propagate your own perennials! Some of the best varieties for spring planting are right in front of you, just waiting to be increased in number. You'll get more plants for your garden, have some to give away to friends, or share your favorite plants with PHS members at the PHS Plant Dividend in the fall. **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will demonstrate the three most common methods of propagation: stem and root cuttings and root division, as well as explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will receive hands-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. **Limit: 20. Fee: $24 members, $29 non-members.**

PROPAGATING FERNS FROM SPORES

Wednesday, April 7, 10 am – 12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Horticulturist and frequent Flower Show blue ribbon winner **Virginia Page**, of Meadowbrook Farm, will cover everything you need to know about this fascinating, highly specialized form of plant propagation. Topics will include how to identify spores on ferns, how to collect them, the proper medium and conditions for sowing the spores, and optimum cultivation conditions as your fern grows. **Limit: 20. Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

MAKING A SUCCULENT WREATH

Wednesday, April 21, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Impress your friends and family with a charming living wreath you will design and create in this workshop. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Virginia Page** will demonstrate how to create a living wreath planted with a variety of exquisite small succulent plants. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss, then plant the succulent plants around the wreath. The finished product may be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or as a welcome wreath for your garden gate and is usually hardy enough to survive our winters. **Limit: 20. Fee: $50 members, $55 non-members.**

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 28, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will discuss all aspects of pruning and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning, dos and don'ts and proper tools, their uses and how to care for them. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

EVENING LECTURE

SPIRIT OF THE CENTENNIAL: THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF HORTICULTURAL HALL

Thursday, April 15, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

This lecture by art and cultural historian **Elizabeth Milroy** focuses on the fascinating political and architectural history of the spectacular building constructed in Fairmount Park for the Centennial

Exhibition of 1876. In particular, Dr. Milroy will explore why, in spite of its popularity, the building ultimately failed as a display and study space.

Elizabeth Milroy is dean of arts and humanities at Wesleyan University, where she is also professor of art history and American studies. She has published and lectured on various topics in the arts of North America, in particular on Thomas Eakins and the Ashcan School, as well as on 19th-century American sculpture and art displays at Philadelphia's Great Central Sanitary Fair of 1864. Most recently she has been working on the history of cultural institutions in Philadelphia and is writing a history of green spaces in the city and the evolution of the Fairmount Park system. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

A TOUR OF JENKINS ARBORETUM

Friday, April 16, 10 am – 12 noon
Devon, PA

Jenkins Arboretum is a sheer delight in mid-April, as the soft chartreuse haze of early spring provides a backdrop for spring ephemerals, including trillium, mayapples, jack in the pulpits, and newly unfurling fiddleheads. Jenkins is famous for its rhododendron collection, which in April features small-leafed, early-blooming varieties in shades of yellow and shrimp that serve as harbingers of the coming extravaganza of rhododendron blooms. Director **Harold Sweetman** will serve as our guide. Directions will be sent with your confirmation. **Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

WALK

NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Thursday, April 22, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Bill Thaller** will introduce and discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives to use for difficult conditions in your own garden. The program includes a tour of Meadowbrook's more naturalized areas. **Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Botanical Illustration with Watercolor	3/23–5/11	Fee: $215/$230	_____	_____
☐ Trough Planting	3/24	Fee: $125/$135	_____	_____
☐ Propagating Perennials	3/31	Fee: $24/$29	_____	_____
☐ Propagating Ferns From Spores	4/7	Fee: $30/$35	_____	_____
☐ Making a Succulent Wreath	4/21	Fee: $50/$55	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs	4/28	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Spirit of the Centennial	4/15	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ A Tour of Jenkins Auditorium	4/16	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/22	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
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(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

KIDS GROW EXPO JOINS EARTHFEST

Save the Date: April 22, 2004

This year's Kids Grow Expo will be held in conjunction with Temple University's EarthFest, an outdoor educational festival on the university's Ambler, PA campus. EarthFest takes place, appropriately, on Earth Day, April 22, 9:30 am to 4 pm.

"This exciting new affiliation will expand the reach of the Kids Grow Expo and offer a broader educational experience for children," says Flossie Narducci, PHS special events manager. "It will also allow kids to celebrate Earth Day with fun activities and exhibits aimed at expanding their environmental awareness, as well as exposing them to careers in horticulture."

PHS created the Kids Grow Expo to encourage children's participation in growing, gardening, and related activities. The all-day event includes educational exhibits, service-learning projects, and competitive classes. The theme for this year's Expo is "Bugs 'n' Buds," which will introduce the idea that some tiny creatures are a gardener's best friends—acting as pollinators, soil builders and predators of garden pests. The event is free and open to the public.

For more information, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org.*

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JOIN THE SPRING FUN AT PHS!

Spring has sprung, and that means the gardening season has begun. Whether you are already in the thick of preparing your garden for spring or are still browsing catalogs, PHS offers plenty of activities to get you in the mood for spring.

To plant the joyful seeds of gardening in your children, don't miss the **2004 Kids Grow Expo** on **Earth Day, April 22**. This year's Expo will be held in conjunction with Temple University's EarthFest, an outdoor educational festival on the university's Ambler, PA campus. The all-day event includes educational exhibits, service-learning projects, and competitive classes. The theme for this year's Expo is "Bugs 'n' Buds," which will introduce the idea that some tiny creatures are a gardener's best friends. The event is free and open to the public. For information and directions, please visit our website or contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*.

Still in the planning and thinking phase? Attend one or two of PHS's **educational activities**, where you can hear a fascinating lecture on Horticultural Hall, created for the 1876 Centennial Exhibition; learn from the experts how to prune your trees and shrubs; or enjoy a walking tour of Meadowbrook Farm to look at native plants. Please see pages 4 and 5 for a list of events.

For city residents, Philadelphia Green's **City Gardening Series** hosts workshops in neighborhood locations throughout Philadelphia on a wide variety of topics, from houseplants to decorating to organic gardening. For a list of upcoming workshops, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website.

Celebrate the arrival of spring among hundreds of blooming azaleas at the **Azalea Garden Party** on **Thursday, May 13, 5:30 – 8 pm**. This annual celebration raises funds for year-round maintenance of this Philadelphia horticultural gem, located just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art in Fairmount Park. Join us for an evening of great food and good fun, as well as activities for the whole family (children are especially welcome). For information or an invitation, please contact Ellen Wheeler at 215-988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*.

John Gannon

Azalea Garden

Itching to get your hands dirty? Come join your fellow PHS members, PHS staff, school groups and other volunteers at the annual **City Hall in Bloom** on **Thursday, May 20**. Each year, PHS hosts this annual planting of colorful annuals in City Hall's perimeter beds and Dilworth Plaza. The fun begins at 9:30 am, rain or shine. To volunteer, please contact Joan Kapczynski at 215-988-8865 or *jkapczynski@pennhort.org*.

You can also lend your gardening hands to **help beautify other public areas** in Center City Philadelphia, such as the Azalea Garden, the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, historic Eastern State Penitentiary, and other sites. Volunteers meet monthly. If you'd like to help out, please contact Joan Kapczynski at 215-988-8865 or *jkapczynski@pennhort.org*.

If you'd rather enjoy the fruits of someone else's labor, don't miss the annual **PHS Spring Garden Visits**. This year's Garden Visits will spotlight gardens in **Ambler (May 16), Haverford (June 6)**, and **the Brandywine Valley (June 20)**. These popular tours are exclusively for PHS members or guests. For more information, please see pages 4 and 5.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

PHS is delighted to welcome the 2,200 new members who signed up since January! About 750 of you joined at the Flower Show, more than 1,000 through the mail, and about 400 through the PHS website. A PHS membership comes with many valuable benefits, including free tickets to the Philadelphia Flower Show, free plants, discounts to local garden centers, invitations to lectures, workshops and other activities, borrowing privileges at the McLean library and more.

Don't forget, you can renew your membership online anytime by visiting the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. Again, welcome!

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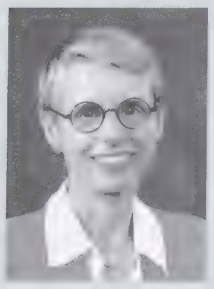
The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

The Promise of Spring



Spring brings with it lots of pleasures, including the opportunity to get out and dig and plant. Those little annuals you see in the garden center are so full of promise, and the tiny perennial you find at a plant society or church sale is just the start of something so much bigger.

At this time of year, I feel also the promise of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. The Flower Show is just behind us, and I think of all the gardeners who came to the Show, took stock of the plants and designs and maybe an educational session or two and headed home, inspired and ready to tackle their own gardens.

There's promise, too, in the educational sessions we have planned for you, our members, this spring, including events at three wonderful horticultural institutions in this region: Meadowbrook Farm, Chanticleer, and the Jenkins Arboretum. I want to encourage you also to take advantage of the visits we offer to private area gardens. Always on these visits, you have the opportunity to see wonderful gardens, but most of all I like the opportunity to talk with the garden owners, dedicated horticulturists all of them and so willing to share their knowledge and enthusiasm.

And finally, there's promise in Philadelphia with all of the activity we have planned this spring for our Green City Strategy. In this newsletter we have a story about the program Philadelphia Green staff members have developed for maintenance of vacant lots as part of the Mayor's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI). We have also planned a host of new community greening projects as part of the NTI contract. We will cover these in later editions of the *PHS News*, but for the moment, I wanted you to know how excited I am about the accomplishments of our staff.

It seems that there are many in Philadelphia who are also enthused about the changes we are helping to make in our neighborhoods. Indeed, at a community meeting this winter, a local police captain said that the work Philadelphia Green has done in his community is some of the most important he has witnessed in his many years on the force in terms of increasing safety and security in the neighborhoods.

Many thanks to everyone involved in this effort.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

PHS AWARDS FOR 2004

Distinguished Achievement Medal

Darrel Apps is known worldwide for his daylily introductions, including the repeat-flowering 'Happy Returns'. He trained as a horticulturist at the University of Wisconsin, where he received his bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees. Darrel has worked at the University of Kentucky, Penn State, and Longwood Gardens and wrote *The Complete Garden Planning Manual*. (As one member of the Awards Selection Committee said, he's a "crackerjack horticulturist.") For the past 10 years, Darrel and his wife Marilyn have operated Woodside Gardens in Bridgeton, NJ, a mail-order nursery specializing in daylilies. Darrel also serves as a member of PHS's Gold Medal Plant Award Committee.

Certificates of Merit

As a founding member of the Friends of Gorgas Park, **John Boyce** led a neighborhood effort to transform this formerly neglected park into an urban oasis. Gorgas Park, situated atop a hill in the Roxborough section of Philadelphia, now hosts a variety of activities, including a popular summer concert series, and employs an active youth park patrol. John is also an enthusiastic spokesperson for Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project, as well as a member of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board.

Lower Merion High School students and their adviser, **Lynne Freeland**, have been successfully exhibiting at the Philadelphia Flower Show for more than 10 years. What started as a Student Council philanthropy project in the early 1990s has evolved into a perennial force in the Competitive Classes. The school usually enters in the Entryways or Gardens class, and the faculty involve as many students as possible in the design and construction of the exhibit. Fellow competitors who underestimate the teenagers' abilities are usually in for a shock when the judges' results are posted, as the students routinely win blue ribbons for their work.

Patricia B. Sanders is the quintessential PHS volunteer: totally dedicated to the PHS mission, endlessly cheerful no matter what assignment she is tackling, and incredibly effective. Pat has been a PHS volunteer for about 15 years, focusing primarily on membership. She has chaired the Membership Committee, organized volunteers to sell memberships at the Flower Show, and served very successfully in the sales role herself. When Flower Show visitors show up on Pat's shift, Pat whips out that amazing smile, then goes on to tell them all the wonderful things PHS does. Who could refuse her? Pat has also served on Council and the Executive Committee for a number of years.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: REBECCA CAMPBELL

As the recently named general manager for WPVI-TV/6ABC, Rebecca Campbell doesn't have a lot of time to spare for things like gardening. Nevertheless, she's a valued member of the PHS family.

Her station, Channel 6, supports many community and cultural organizations throughout the city, including PHS. In Rebecca's previous job as director of programming, she initiated a broadcast partnership with PHS and was instrumental in bringing the station on board as an official sponsor of the Philadelphia Flower Show. In 1997, she approached Jane Pepper about producing a special highlighting the Flower Show, and in March of 2000, the station aired the first special segment on the Show, which was seen by more than a quarter of a million households.

The television show has become an annual tradition. Action News weather anchors Dave Roberts and Cecily Tynan host the one-hour special, broadcast live from the elegant Flower Show Preview Dinner party. WPVI also produces the Flower Show video each year, the proceeds of which support PHS.

"This partnership has been a very important one for Channel 6," says Rebecca. "The Philadelphia Flower Show is an exquisite example of what makes the Delaware Valley so special. We are thrilled to join PHS in sharing this signature event with our viewers."

Rebecca is a longtime Flower Show fan. Before moving to Philadelphia, she lived in Lancaster, PA, where she says she and her friends made a point of visiting the Show each year.

A few years ago, Rebecca was asked to join the Flower Show Executive Committee, and she eagerly accepted. "It's been a very rewarding experience, both professionally and personally," she says. "I've made so many friendships. It's a fabulous organization made up of many great people. It's an honor to be a part of PHS."

GREEN CITY STRATEGY PROGRESS REPORT: COMMUNITIES INVESTING IN LAND MANAGEMENT

If you travel through many neighborhoods outside Center City Philadelphia, you're bound to come across vacant lots—pieces of land where housing or industrial buildings once stood. Until recently, most of this abandoned land was choked with weeds taller than basketball players and filled with debris that ranged from beer cans and broken glass to rusted refrigerators and burned-out automobiles.

In 2002, as part of its Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI), the city embarked on an ambitious cleanup effort of more than 31,000 vacant parcels (a parcel is a single street address). But five or six months after the initial cleaning, the lots started to fester once more with rubbish. To help solve this persistent problem, the city approached PHS's Philadelphia Green to come up with a pilot initiative for the ongoing care of recently cleaned lots, with an emphasis on low-cost maintenance that would invest communities in the process.

Unlike other efforts over the past several years that have resulted in the cleaning as well as greening of vacant land, this tactic focuses on basic housekeeping. "The sizeable investment of time and resources in the initial clearing phase will have little long-term effect without ongoing management to prevent the lots from deteriorating again," explains Mike Groman, Philadelphia Green's director. With a solid maintenance program in place, these lots could eventually be landscaped—in some cases preserved as open space—or attract new development.

For the pilot program, PHS selected eight organizations in four sections of the city and awarded them contracts for tasks such as trash pickup and mowing of those mammoth weeds, to be performed on a regular basis between June 2003 and June 2004. PHS held training sessions in the use of equipment, how to facilitate the work, and how to recognize and spare "good" trees and plants. The program is addressing more than 1,900 parcels—over 2 million square feet. This effort is also part of the "Green City Strategy," currently being supported through PHS's $4-million contract with the city, which calls for upgrades to the city's green infrastructure as a means to retain current residents and attract new residents and investment.

In selecting the organizations, PHS looked for groups that already had demonstrated an interest in keeping their neighborhoods clean. The groups range from grass-roots organizations to community development corporations. Two participants, Ready, Willing & Able and SELF Inc., are job-training programs for individuals making a transition back to work, and their clients come from all parts of the city. The others hire directly from the neighborhood, providing new jobs as an additional benefit.

The selected groups had varying levels of capacity at the outset of the project and were faced with significant challenges, not the least of which was entrenched drug activity on some lots. "These crews are working in some of the toughest areas of the city," explains PHS program manager Bob Grossmann. "Blighted lots are a drug dealer's preferred territory, because they can easily hide their wares in the tall weeds and piles of trash."

One group, Universal Companies, operating in South Philadelphia, sought help from local politicians, police, residents, and community organizations to drive drug dealers away from their designated lots. "The maintenance program has raised great hope and wiped out years of apathy and hopelessness," says Wayne Rockman of Universal and chair of the South Philadelphia Block Association. "It's like a quiet renaissance; we've cleaned up hundreds of lots and improved the quality of neighborhoods and blocks devastated by drugs and prostitution."

Other obstacles these organizations have faced include continued dumping on some of the sites. Still, all the groups were performing well within three months of the project's outset. "The idea is to increase the capacity of groups like these so they can take on the care of more and more land," says Grossmann. "This in turn could create an inviting climate for potential investment projects, while giving these communities a stake in determining what happens in their neighborhoods." *– John Gannon*

Margaret Funderburg

Vacant land maintenance contractors from Centro Pedro Claver pause for a photo with Philadelphia Green project coordinator Dam Molina (far right).

Partners: Centro Pedro Claver; New Kensington CDC; Ready, Willing & Able; SELF, Inc.; Tioga United; Universal Companies/South Philadelphia Block Association; University City District; Village of Arts & Humanities

Funder: The City of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The City Gardening Series will present numerous workshops during the months of April and May, held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming workshops, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

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SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Sunday, May 16: Ambler, PA
Sunday, June 6: Haverford, PA
Sunday, June 20: Brandywine Valley, PA

The annual Spring Garden Visits are an opportunity for PHS members to tour wonderful, mostly private gardens in the Greater Philadelphia Region. On each day, we'll visit five to seven gardens between noon and 5 pm. These tours are very popular and fill quickly, so pre-registration is required! Directions and garden descriptions will be sent with your confirmation. **Fee: $10 PHS members, $25 for member guests.**

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER

SPRING TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, May 5, 6 – 8 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Grounds Manager **Peter Brindle** will guide us around Chanticleer admiring a wealth of spring-blooming woody plants. Many natives of the eastern forest will be flowering then, joined by exotics from other temperate lands. Brindle will focus on using these plants in the home landscape and choosing the right plant for a given location. There will be summer and fall versions of this program offered on July 29 and September 21. Check future issues of *PHS News*. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SPRING WILDFLOWERS

Tuesday, May 11, 6 – 8 pm
Wayne, PA

The natural areas of Chanticleer are abundant with delights in May. Horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will highlight spring wildflowers at their peak and discuss how you may use them in your own pleasure garden. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

ASIAN WOODLAND PLANTS

Wednesday, May 19, 6 – 8 pm
Wayne, PA

Lisa Roper, Asian Woods gardener at Chanticleer, will lead an in-depth tour through this woodland garden. We will look at perennials, shrubs, trees and bamboos from Asia that thrive in our climate. In recent years, a surge of interest in plant collecting in China, Japan and Korea has led to new plant introductions and more availability. Discussion will include maintenance and plant combinations. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

A TOUR OF JENKINS ARBORETUM

Friday, April 16, 10 am – 12 noon
Devon, PA

Jenkins Arboretum is a sheer delight in mid-April, as the soft chartreuse haze of early spring provides a backdrop for spring ephemerals, including trillium, mayapples, Jack-in-the-pulpits, and newly unfurling fiddleheads. Jenkins is famous for its rhododendron collection, which in April features small-leaf, early-blooming varieties in shades of yellow and shrimp that serve as harbingers of the coming extravaganza of rhododendron blooms. Director **Harold Sweetman** will serve as our guide. Directions will be sent with confirmations. Limit: 20. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

SPRING BULBS AT EDGEWOOD

Saturday, May 8, 1 – 3 pm
Exton, PA

The exquisite garden of avid plantsman **John Lonsdale** features a treasure trove of unusual bulbs in spring and fall. In early May we can expect a fine display of lady slipper orchids, many rare iris varieties, and 5,000 trilliums in all their glory. *Cyclamen, Corydalis, Narcissus, Crocus, Fritillaria, Iris* and *Erythronium* are favorite bulbs, together with extensive plantings of woodlanders, especially *Helleborus, Cypripedium, Hepatica, Epimedium* and *Trillium*. Directions will be mailed with confirmations. Limit: 20. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

A native of Sheffield, England, John Lonsdale's interest in plants surfaced when he bought a house with a small garden in southeast England. Alpines seemed a natural fit and from that day on his interest grew. John moved to the USA in 1995, and his Exton garden has matured since then with the addition of many choice plants including numerous trees and shrubs. An avid propagator, John sows approximately 450 pots of seed each year, mainly from bulbs. He is a member of a number of horticultural groups and publishes and lectures widely.

PEONYLAND

Thursday, May 13, 10 am – 12 noon
Richlandtown, PA

Join us for a guided tour of Peonyland, by owner **Michael Hsu**, at the peak of peony season and expect to make a purchase or two for your own garden. Peonyland is the largest Chinese tree peony nursery outside China, with over 60,000 tree peonies in more than 700 varieties, and 8,000 herbaceous peonies, in 150 varieties, growing on this 54-acre estate. Chinese peonies are regal, easy-to-grow plants with drop-dead gorgeous, large colorful blooms in a variety of shapes and colors. Directions will be mailed with confirmations. Limit: 20. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

MIXED BORDERS AT DAVID CULP'S GARDEN

Tuesday, May 25, 10 am – 12 noon
Downingtown, PA

David Culp's garden is his version of a Pennsylvania country garden around an eighteenth-century farmhouse. It includes mixed borders for sun and shade and combines native and exotic plants in a naturalistic design. There are rock, rose, and vegetable gardens, as well as a walled garden in the ruins of an old carriage house that features many troughs and containers full of unusual plants. Directions will be mailed with confirmations. Limit: 20. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

David Culp is sales representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, where he also is responsible for plant research and development. He is a hands-on gardener and noted hellebore hybridizer. His garden is a frequent stop on local tours and has been featured on television and in numerous national publications. He is an instructor at Longwood Gardens, contributing editor to *Horticulture* magazine, and a freelance author, designer and lecturer.

WORKSHOPS

PROPAGATING FERNS FROM SPORES

Wednesday, April 7, 10 am – 12 pm
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Horticulturist and frequent Flower Show blue-ribbon winner **Virginia Page**, of Meadowbrook Farm, will cover everything you need to know about this fascinating, highly specialized form of plant propagation. Topics will include how to identify spores on ferns, how to collect them, the proper medium and conditions for sowing the spores, and optimum cultivation conditions as your ferns grow. Limit: 20. **Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

MAKING A SUCCULENT WREATH

Wednesday, April 21, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Meadowbrook, PA

Impress your friends and family with a charming living wreath you will design and create in this workshop. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Virginia Page** will demonstrate how to create a living wreath planted with a variety of exquisite small succulent plants. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss, then plant the succulent plants around the wreath. The finished product may be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or as a welcome wreath for your garden gate and is usually hardy enough to survive winters in our region. Limit: 20. **Fee: $50 members, $55 non-members.**

PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 28, 5:30 - 7:30 pm
Chanticleer, Wayne, PA

Chanticleer horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will discuss all aspects of pruning and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning, dos and don'ts, and proper tools, their uses and how to care for them. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES

EVENING LECTURE

SPIRIT OF THE CENTENNIAL: THE TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS OF HORTICULTURAL HALL

Thursday, April 15, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

This lecture by art and cultural historian **Elizabeth Milroy** focuses on the fascinating political and architectural history of the spectacular building constructed in Fairmount Park for the Centennial Exhibition of 1876. In particular, Dr. Milroy will explore why, in spite of its popularity, the building ultimately failed as a display and study space. She will also discuss the roles of PHS and the Fairmount Park Commission. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Elizabeth Milroy is dean of arts and humanities at Wesleyan University, where she is also professor of art history and American studies. She has published and lectured on various topics in the arts of North America, in particular on Thomas Eakins and the Ashcan School. Most recently she has been working on the history of cultural institutions in Philadelphia and is writing a history of green spaces in the city and the evolution of the Fairmount Park system.

WALK

NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

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NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET IT

Volunteers Needed for Spring Garden Visits

Volunteers are needed to welcome PHS members to private gardens on the popular spring garden tours. This year's Garden Visits will spotlight gardens in Ambler (May 16), Haverford (June 6), and the Brandywine Valley (June 20). Volunteer shifts run from 11:30 am to 2 pm and from 2 pm to 4 or 5 pm. This is an ideal opportunity to spend a Sunday afternoon at an exceptional garden, as well as meet and greet fellow PHS members. You can also visit the other gardens for free before or after your shift. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*.

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☐ Spring Garden Visits: Haverford, PA	6/6	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Spring Garden Visits: Brandywine Valley, PA	6/20	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Spring Trees and Shrubs	5/5	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Spring Wildflowers	5/11	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Asian Woodland Plants	5/19	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ A Tour of Jenkins Arboretum	4/16	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Spring Bulbs at Edgewood	5/8	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Peonyland	5/13	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Mixed Borders at David Culp's Garden	5/25	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Propagating Ferns from Spores	4/7	Fee: $30/$35	_____	_____
☐ Making a Succulent Wreath	4/21	Fee: $50/$55	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs	4/28	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Spirit of the Centennial	4/15	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/22	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	**$**_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed. **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

Name as it appears on credit card: _____

Card Number _____ Expiration: _____

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Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities: Please call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

GARDEN TOUR TO BENEFIT PHS

The Garden Conservancy's Open Days Program is a national garden-visiting program designed to provide easy access to outstanding examples of American garden design. Open Days, begun in 1995, is the country's only national private garden-visiting program, and some proceeds benefit nonprofit organizations across the United States. This year, PHS has been named as a beneficiary.

As part of the 2004 Open Days program, the **Philadelphia garden of Jay & Nanie Flaherty** will be open for visitors on **Sunday, June 6, 2004**, and a portion of the proceeds will be contributed to PHS. The Flaherty garden sits on nearly one acre at the edge of the Wissahickon Valley in Chestnut Hill. It features mature trees, including more than 90 hollies, as well as native shrubs, expansive perennial beds and charming garden rooms. Admission is $5. For more information, please visit the Garden Conservancy's website at *www.gardenconservancy.org* or call 845-265-5384.

MORE ON 2004 PLANT SALES AND EVENTS

Our apologies for the following errors or omissions contained in the list of 2004 Plant Sales and Events, printed in the March *PHS News*:

Greater Philadelphia Chapter, American Rhododendron Society

Annual Plant Sale
Saturday, May 8, 2004, rain or shine
10 am – 4 pm, FREE
Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, 100 Northwestern Ave., Philadelphia
(held concurrently with Arboretum's plant sale; both events will be held in Bloomfield Farm section, across from main Arboretum entrance)
Contact: Karel Bernady, 610-827-0113

Please disregard the listing for a lecture hosted by **Huntingdon Valley Garden Club**, "On Thai, Art in Bloom," on March 15. That lecture took place in 2003.

Please note: To have your organization's event included in next year's list, please watch your mailbox for a questionnaire to be completed and returned to PHS. These forms are mailed in October and must be returned to PHS by December 1. **If you do not receive a form for 2005 events by November 15, 2004, please contact Laurie Fitzpatrick at *lfitzpatrick@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8769.** Due to space limitations, we can only include events taking place within a reasonable driving distance of Philadelphia.

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ASPEN FARMS IS PERMANENTLY PRESERVED

Aspen Farms, one of Philadelphia's most celebrated community gardens, now enjoys permanent status as a community-managed garden. After years of hard work by neighborhood residents working with the **Neighborhood Gardens Association/A Philadelphia Land Trust**, the city of Philadelphia officially transferred title to the land to NGA.

Harry Kalish

Aspen Farms, located at 47th & Aspen Streets in West Philadelphia, was created in 1975 by neighborhood residents and PHS's **Philadelphia Green** program. It fills an entire half-acre vacant lot on the former site of row houses and a dry cleaning business. With its extensive vegetable beds, beautiful assortment of trees and flowers, fish and lily ponds, and a colorful mural, the garden has been featured in the national news media, including *Good Morning America* and *National Geographic.*

Hayward Ford, the garden coordinator since 1986 and a member of the PHS Council and Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, has been a tireless leader, working long hours in the garden and serving as an advocate for Aspen Farms and for community gardening citywide. The garden's well-organized members pay annual fees and hold yearly fundraising events, including trips, dinners, and donation appeals to help support the garden. Aspen Farms also serves as an outdoor science classroom for students from two nearby middle schools.

Aspen Farms is one of Philadelphia Green's **Keystone Gardens**, larger, long-standing community gardens that receive ongoing assistance from Philadelphia Green to help ensure their continued viability.

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The Neighborhood Gardens Association was started in 1986 through a partnership between PHS and the **Penn State Urban Gardening Program** as a mechanism to preserve gardens and green spaces in Philadelphia's low- and moderate-income neighborhoods.

NICE WORK IF YOU CAN GET IT

Volunteers Needed for Spring Garden Visits

Volunteers are invited to welcome PHS members to private gardens on the popular spring garden tours. This year's Garden Visits will spotlight gardens in Ambler (May 16), Haverford (June 6), and the Brandywine Valley (June 20). Volunteer shifts run from 11:30 am to 2 pm and from 2 pm to 4 or 5 pm. This is an ideal opportunity to spend a Sunday afternoon at an exceptional garden, as well as meet and greet fellow PHS members. You can also visit the other gardens for free before or after your shift. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org.*

SAVE THE DATE

Event: Members' Day
Date: September 18, 2004
Location: Philadelphia Naval Business Center
Time: 11 am – 5 pm

More info to come!

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY 1827
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PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

The Inside Story

Many, many thanks to every PHS member who helped us make a successful 2004 Philadelphia Flower Show. You may have exhibited or you may have visited, and some 3,500 of you helped us as volunteers. The Flower Show is a grand team effort, and this year we welcomed more than 265,000 visitors. To me, there are no two weeks of the year I like more than the weeks of setup and when the Show is open to the public. I love watching the creativity of our exhibitors during the first week, then hearing the visitor comments the next.

Many of you know that Show director and designer **Ed Lindemann**, who had been with PHS for 32 years, retired following this year's Show. Going forward, the Show will be managed slightly differently. As we have done for many years, we will continue with a Flower Show Executive Committee, chaired for 2004 and '05 by **Midge Ingersoll**, exhibitor and volunteer for almost two decades and a member of the PHS Council. A couple of years ago, in anticipation of Ed's retirement, we developed a Flower Show Planning Team, which I chair, composed of senior staff whose departments are closely involved with the Show.

Included in this group are the heads of public relations & marketing, education services and marketplace and merchandizing, as well as **Blaine Bonham**, executive vice president. Also part of this team are **Sam Lemheney** and **Kathy Mills**, who have major Show responsibilities.

Sam, who will serve as director of Show design, graduated from the University of Delaware with a degree in horticulture and worked for 11 years for Walt Disney World Co., in the last few years as area manager of the Epcot Center's International Flower and Garden Festival. At PHS, he has been working with Ed as associate Show designer for the past 15 months.

Working closely with Sam will be Kathy Mills, director of Show production, who has been on staff at PHS for 17 years, gradually assuming more and more of the responsibilities related to our wonderful volunteers and to the myriad of complex details that go into getting the Show into—and out of—the Convention Center. Kathy holds a B.S. in business administration from St. Joseph's University and an A.S. in Horticulture from Temple University.

The Show is in good hands and I wish both Sam and Kathy best wishes for their expanded roles at PHS.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

2004 CITY GARDENS CONTEST ENTRANTS AND VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Since 1975, the PHS City Gardens Contest has celebrated the efforts of city gardeners who have transformed urban plots into flowering green havens. The City Gardens Contest continues to attract entries of all sizes and types, from tiny tucked-away spaces to enormous community gardens tended by people of all backgrounds. The contest is open to Philadelphia residents and is judged each July by volunteers.

To enter your garden, please complete and return the from below by June 10, 2004. Winners receive $50, $25, and $10 gift certificates, as well as a one-year membership in The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

To volunteer as a judge or for more information, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *specialevents@pennhort.org*. (Note: you do not have to be a Philadelphia resident to volunteer as a judge.)

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City Gardens Contest Entry Form

Name:_____

Address: _____

Address of garden: _____

Home phone:_____ Work phone: _____

Email:_____

Check appropriate category:

Individual Gardens

- ☐ Individual Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Flower Garden
- ☐ Combination Flower/Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Container Garden
- ☐ Child's Garden

Community Gardens

- ☐ Community Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Community Flower/Sitting Garden
- ☐ Combination Vegetable/Flower Garden
- ☐ Children's Garden
- ☐ "Garden Block" with window boxes and sidewalk planters
- ☐ "The Greenest Block in Town" (street trees/front yards)

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: J. WILLIAM MILLS, III

We've all become accustomed to seeing the PNC Bank logo on Philadelphia Flower Show banners, posters, and tickets. The bank has been the presenting sponsor of the Flower Show since 1991. At that time, the bank's president asked Bill Mills to get involved with the Show, a task he happily accepted. For the first year or two, his involvement was limited, but gradually, he says, he "really got into it."

"Although I'd be lying if I said I was a gardener—I'm more of a lawn cutter—I've always enjoyed the Flower Show and have been going for about 20 years," says Bill, now president of PNC's Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey region. His efforts led to a stint as Show Chair for 2 years, from 2000 to 2001. "I was shocked when Jane Pepper asked me to chair the Show," recalls Bill, who has spent his entire career in the banking and financial services industry. But the Flower Show is nothing if not an enormous management and organizational challenge, and Bill's accomplished background fit right in. "It was truly an amazing experience," he says of his chairmanship.

"I really enjoyed visiting with the exhibitors and learning the workings of the Flower Show," he continues, "But what's really interesting to me is the connection between the Show and Philadelphia Green (the Society's urban greening program, which is partially funded by Show proceeds). It ties right into my hopes and aspirations for the city. Of course we all know the Show brings a huge economic benefit to Philadelphia—in terms of tourist dollars—but what keeps PNC so interested is the long-range benefits of Philadelphia Green's work in the neighborhoods. The Flower Show is an integral part of that."

Seeing a great asset for PHS, it's no surprise that Jane Pepper tapped Bill to serve on the PHS Council. He's been a member of Council for about 10 years and also serves on the Executive Committee.

"Being involved with PHS brought benefits I hadn't even considered," Bill says. "For one thing, I've met some of the nicest people I've ever met in my life." The rewards go both ways; having enthusiastic supporters like Bill Mills makes PHS a winner, too.

PHS RECEIVES GRANT FOR LOGAN SQUARE LANDSCAPE PROJECT

The Pew Charitable Trusts has awarded a grant of $750,000 to PHS to renovate the landscape within the Logan traffic circle, the centerpiece of Logan Square, which is located between 18th and 20th Streets along the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City. One of the original five squares in William Penn's design for the city, Logan Square is anchored by the famed Swann Fountain and 12 stately *Paulownia tomentosa* trees.

The grant covers a 15-month period starting this April and includes the formation of a partnership among PHS's Philadelphia Green program, the Fairmount Park Commission—which owns the land—and the Center City District. It will also include a coalition of the institutional neighbors around the square, including the Free Library, the Academy of Natural Sciences, and the Franklin Institute. Together, the partners will choose a design firm, create a new landscape, and formulate a plan for long-term management of the new landscape improvements.

"We're thrilled to play a role in rejuvenating the plantings at this important Center City focal point," says Mike Groman, director of Philadelphia Green. "We're grateful to the Pew Trusts for helping to make it possible."

Julie Snell

Existing conditions at Logan Square (photo taken December 2003)

Originally designed by Jacques Greber, Logan Square's central landscape last had a facelift in 1981, when the Fairmount Park Commission retooled the site's planting beds.

Watch for updates on this project in future issues of *PHS News*.

PARK TREES GET FACELIFT

J. Gannon

In the past couple of months, trees in 14 neighborhood parks under the jurisdiction of the city's Department of Recreation received much-needed work, ranging from extensive pruning to the removal of hazardous trees to new plantings. Philadelphia Green managed the project and F.A. Bartlett Tree Expert Co. did the heavy work, with McFarland Tree & Landscape Services pitching in at one park. Thanks to the following funders for their generous support of this project: The William Penn Foundation, City of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, Citizens Bank, and Lincoln Financial Group Foundation.

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The City Gardening Series will present several workshops during the months of May and June, held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming workshops, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

SPECIAL BULB CLASSES FOR THE 2005 FLOWER SHOW

Thinking about entering the Horticulture Classes at next year's Philadelphia Flower Show? Why not try your hand at growing these special bulbs?

Bulb Challenge Class (open to all exhibitors)
- *Tulipa linifolia* in pot 6" or under.

General Bulb Classes (open to all exhibitors)
- *Narcissus* 'Small Talk' (Miniature) in a 6" pot. An American-bred bulb.
- *Narcissus* 'Itzim' (Division 6, Cyclamineus) in an 8" pot. An American-bred bulb.
- Any other standard American-bred *Narcissus* in a pot 6"-8", maximum of 5 bulbs per pot.
- *Tulipa* 'Pieter de Leur' (Lily-Flowered) in an 8" pot.
- *Hyacinthus* 'Blue Jacket' in an 8" pot.
- Any species *Tulipa* except *linifolia* in pot 6" or under.
- *Iris cristata*, in a pot 6" or under. An American native plant.
- Any American native *Araceae*, in a pot 8" or under.
- Bulb Garden: Any combination of red, white, and blue bulbs, arranged for artistic and horticultural excellence in a pot 12" or under.

Novice Classes (open to anyone who has not won a blue ribbon in the Horticulture Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show prior to 2005)
- *Narcissus* 'Arctic Gold' (Division 1, Trumpet) in an 8" pot.
- Any *Tulipa* except 'Pieter de Leur', in an 8" pot.
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis); a single-nosed bulb in a pot.

Beginner's Luck (open only to first-time exhibitors in the Bulb Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show)
- Any Paperwhite *Narcissus*, in soil in a 6"-8" pot.

Note: All these bulbs must be grown and shown in pots of the size (diameter) specified. You may use bulb pans, azalea pots, or standard pots for all bulb classes. Look for a complete listing of all bulb classes and an entry form in the 2005 *Exhibitor's Guide* available on the Flower Show website each year beginning in September (*www.theflowershow.com*).

2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following award winners at the 2004 Flower Show. View a sampling of winning entries in the artistic classes on the Flower Show website, *www.theflowershow.com*.

CENTRAL FEATURE AWARDS

Flowers by David, "This Place Called Paradise"

Solana Succulents, "Underwater Paradise"

Waldor Orchids, "Destination Paradise"

MAJOR EXHIBITOR AWARDS

Special Exhibits for the Philadelphia Flower Show's 175th Anniversary

Jerry and Bea Barad
Raymond Evison Clematis

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show

Landscape, Stoney Bank Nurseries
Floral Design, Robertson's Flowers
By Invitation, EP Henry Corp.
Academic Educational, The Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades
Nonacademic Educational, U.S. EPA Region III
Nonacademic Educational – Plant Societies, North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter

The Best Achievement Awards

Landscape:
Use of Bulbs in a Landscape Setting, Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists
Use of Garden Lighting in a Formal Outdoor Setting, Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc.
Idyllic Garden Setting with Romantic Ambiance, J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc.
Family-Oriented Garden Setting, Flagg's Garden Center
Serene Natural Setting, Daniel G. Kepich & Associates
Integration of Pathways in a Creative Garden Setting, Stoney Bank Nurseries
Innovative Garden Setting, J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.

Floral Design:
Use of Color in a Garden Party Setting, Michael Bruce Florist
Party Design, Lamsback Floral Decorators
Dramatic Use of Lighting, Robertson's Flowers
Use of Cut Flowers in a Unique Setting, Jamie Rothstein
Incorporation of Indoor Plants and Cut Flowers, The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

By Invitation:
Use of Hardscaping, EP Henry Corp.
Innovative Use of Color and Texture, Meadowbrook Farm
Use of Water in a Landscape Setting, Ponds & Gardens of Limekiln
Innovative Use of Water, Stephens Garden Creations, Inc.
Use of Color Flow and Sculptural Movement in a Garden, Valley Forge Flowers/Little House Shop

The PHS Award of Merit for an Outstanding Exhibit

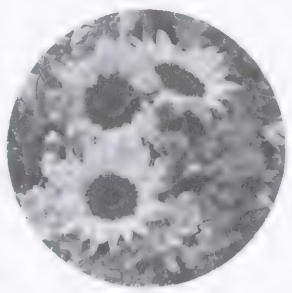
Academic Educational, Temple University Department of Landscape Architecture & Horticulture
Nonacademic Educational, Camden City Garden Club, Inc.
Nonacademic Educational – Plant Societies, Delaware Valley Fern & Wildflower Society

The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. Silver Trophy

Flagg's Garden Center

Alfred M. Campbell Memorial Trophy

Stoney Bank Nurseries



The Mayor's Trophy

The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

The Governor's Trophy

Daniel G. Kepich & Associates

The Philadelphia Trophy

Lamsback Floral Decorators

The PHS Council Trophy

Meadowbrook Farm

PHS Trophy (Gardens)

University of Delaware Merrie Stems

PHS Trophy (Entryways)

Harriton High School

PHS Trophy (Container Display)

The Garden Club of Wilmington

Chicago Horticultural Society Flower Show Medal

Stoney Bank Nurseries

The Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association Trophies

Entryway: Harriton High School
Garden: University of Delaware Merrie Stems

Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal

University of Delaware Merrie Stems

The American Horticultural Society Citation

Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc.

Bulkley Medal of the Garden Club of America

U.S. EPA Region III

Special Achievement Awards of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania

1,000 sq. ft. and over:
Conservation, J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc.
Education, The Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades
Horticulture, Stoney Bank Nurseries

Under 1,000 sq. ft.:
Conservation, Temple University
Education, U.S. EPA Region III
Horticulture, North American Rock Garden Society

Men's Garden Club of Delaware Valley Trophy

EP Henry Corp.

Society of American Florists Flower Show Award

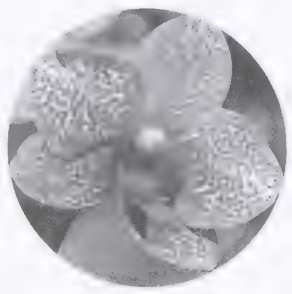
Robertson's Flowers

The Phyllis M. Craig Award

Lamsback Floral Decorators

The Philadelphia Flower Show Award for an Exhibit of Distinction

Academic Educational
Camden County Technical School, Pennsauken Campus
Delaware Valley College, Dept. of Ornamental Horticulture and Environmental Design
Horticulture Academy at Abraham Lincoln High School
W.B. Saul High School of Agricultural Sciences



Nonacademic Educational
Dept. of Homeland Security, US Customs & Border Protection, Agricultural Division
Fairmount Park Commission
Friends Hospital
Netherlands American Business

Association
Philadelphia Water Department
Zoological Society of Philadelphia

Nonacademic Educational – Plant Societies
African Violet Society of Philadelphia
American Ivy Society
American Rhododendron Society, Greater Philadelphia Chapter
Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society

Special Recognition to Those Exhibits Not in Competition for PHS Awards

American Institute of Floral Designers (AIFD)
Amy Lamb Studio
Ikebana International, Philadelphia Chapter #71
Pennsylvania Bonsai Society
Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Gold Medal Plant Award
Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Philadelphia Green
Pennsylvania State University Cooperative Extension
Rosade Bonsai Studio
Jamie Rothstein

HORTICULTURE AWARDS

The PHS Ribbon – Best of Day, 1 Variety:

Saturday: Dr. Gerald Barad
Tuesday: Diana Wister
Friday: John Story

The PHS Ribbon – Best of Day, 2 Varieties:

Saturday: Irene Sobotincic
Tuesday: Martha Miller
Friday: Ray Rogers

PHS Orchid Award

Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton for *Paph. Invincible* 'Spread Eagle'

The Emile H. Geschick Memorial Award

Waldor Orchids for *Destination Paradise* (Central Feature)

American Orchid Society Show Trophy

Waldor Orchids for *Destination Paradise* (Central Feature)

2004 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

American Orchid Society Show Awards
Waldor Orchids (twice); Maurice Marietti

Philadelphia Unit, Herb Society of America Inc. Award
Saturday: Diana S. Wister
Tuesday: John Story, Barbara Braman, Roddie Turner and Tom Fletcher, Margaret P. Bowditch, Ray Rogers
Friday: Diana Wister, Cecily Clark, Stephen Maciejewski, Adam Levine

The Doretta Klaber Award
Lee Morris Raden for *Saxifraga jenkensiae*

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Ribbons
Class #:
2320 – Ann Rosenberg
2325 – Ann Rosenberg
2340 – Margaret Bowditch
2345 – Lee Morris Raden
2350 – Michael LoFurno
2355 – Jane Grushow
2360 – John Ray & Clifton West
2960 – Joan Harvey
3320 – Ann Rosenberg
3325 – Lee Morris Raden
3340 – Ann Rosenberg
3345 – Susan Deeks
3350 – Susan Deeks
3355 – Susan Deeks
3360 – John Ray & Clifton West
3365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
4325 – Mrs. Pierre. S. du Pont
4345 – Margaret Bowditch
4340 – Margaret Bowditch
4350 – Margaret Bowditch
4355 – Margaret Bowditch
4360 – Bernard Pettit
4365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
4790 – Lynn Cook & Troy Ray

Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Ribbons (*Narcissus* classes)
Saturday: Ray Rogers
Tuesday: Ray Rogers
Friday: Ray Rogers

PHS Ribbon (bulb section)
Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M.V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Ray Rogers
Friday: Ray Rogers

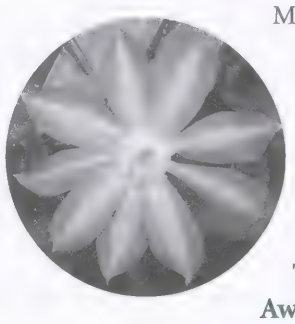
The Doretta Klaber Chapter of the American Primrose Society Award
2325 – Ann Rosenberg
3320 – Ann Rosenberg
4325 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont

Far Out Cactus Trophy, Dr. Gerald Barad for *Agave victoriae reginae var.*

Meadowbrook Farm Indoor Gardening Trophy, The Garden Club of Wilmington

The Edith Wilder Scott Award, Mrs. Samuel M.V. Hamilton for *Rhododendron cv.*

Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society Ribbons
Solana Succulents, "Underwater Paradise"
Jerry and Bea Barad, "Jewels of the Desert"
Class #
176 – Junior League of Philadelphia, Inc. Sustainer Garden Club
2250 – Dr. Gerald Barad
2255 – Dr. Gerald Barad
2270 – Dr. Gerald Barad
2920 – Stephen Maciejewski
3205 – Sylvia R. Lin
3260 – Sylvia R. Lin
3270 – Steve Casebolt
3770 – Ray Rogers
4245 – John Story
4265 – Ray Rogers
4750 – Ray Rogers
4870 – Ray Rogers



The Susie Walker Award for an Outstanding Begonia Entry
Saturday: Virginia Page-Hentschel
Tuesday: Mrs. Samuel M.V. Hamilton
Friday: Virginia Page-Hentschel

ARTISTIC AWARDS

The Garden Club of America Certificate of Excellence
Wissahickon Garden Club

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Niche Classes)
Saturday: Helen Breslin and Anita Breslin Kuchma
Monday: Anne Fox Hayes
Wednesday: Anne Fox Hayes and Anne Coste
Friday: Audrey Secrest and Susan Ross

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Miniature Arrangement Classes)
Saturday: Gabrielle Haab
Wednesday: Leslie Purple

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Defined and Open Space classes)
Saturday: Denise Sills and Emma Sills
Monday: Pinkie Roe and Susan Detjens
Wednesday: Sally Humphreys and Stacey Blankin
Friday: Sally Humphreys and Stacy Blankin

PHS Trophy (Miniature Arrangement classes)
Leslie Purple

PHS Trophy (Pressed Plant Material classes)
Susan Stevenson

PHS Trophy (Miniature Settings class)
James and Deborah M. Mackie

PHS Room Trophy
Wissahickon Garden Club

Jack Kellmer Company Award (Table class)
Martha Washington Garden Club

Extra Touch Florists Association District 3B Trophy
Wissahickon Garden Club

The Margaret Biddle Bright Award (Large Niche)
Natasha Tobin

Nancy Reid Clausen Award (Medium Niche)
Audrey Secrest and Susan Ross

The Carolyn Waite Award (Small Niche)
Leslie Purple and Alice Farley

The PHS Trophy (Defined and Open Space Classes)
Anne Fox Hayes and Anne Coste

The Helen Hope Dechert Award (Niche Classes)
Audrey Secrest and Susan Ross

PHS Trophy (Designs for Jewelry Classes)
Ellen Cleveland and Francine Duncan

PHS Award (Balcony Class)
Garden Club of Bala Cynwyd

PHS Award (Urn Classes)
Four Counties Garden Club

PHS Award (Window Box/ Lamppost Classes)
Four Counties Garden Club

PHS Award (Terrace Classes)
The Siblings (Adrienne Amey, Dierdre Amey and Elizabeth Amey)

THE PHS AWARDS FOR DAILY MAINTENANCE AND CONDITION

Garden: The Gardeners
Entryway: The Weed Wackers
Container Display: Suzanne Holland, Toni DeGeorge and Sandra McMillin
Balcony: The Garden Club of Philadelphia
Terrace: The Weeders
Urn: Spade and Trowel Club of Kennett Square
Tables: Random Garden Club
Rooms: Joe and Rose LaPosa

MARKETPLACE AWARDS OF THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW (First Place)

Horticulture
Large: Create a Scene
Standard: Main Street Orchids

Accessories
Large: Sandstone Gardens
Standard: Sunglow Greenhouses

Botanical Art
Large: Hayden & Fandetta
Standard: Acanthus

SWEEPSTAKES

PHS Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (individual runner-up)
Sylvia R. Lin

Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (individual), Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy
Organization: Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society
First runner-up: Wissahickon Garden Club

Sarah C. Z. Groome Award (individual) W. Eugene Burkhart, Jr.
runner up: Anne Fox Hayes

The Rosemarie P. Vassalluzzo Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy
Organization: Wissahickon Garden Club
First runner-up: The Garden Workers

Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award
Organization: Wissahickon Garden Club
First runner-up: The Gardeners

The PHS Grand Sweepstakes
To the individual accumulating the greatest number of points in all competitive sections of the Show: Ginny Friedman

SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Sunday, May 16: Ambler, PA
Sunday, June 6: Haverford, PA
Sunday, June 20: Brandywine Valley, PA

The annual Spring Garden Visits are an opportunity for PHS members to tour wonderful, mostly private gardens in the Greater Philadelphia Region. On each day, we'll visit five to seven gardens between noon and 5 pm. These tours are very popular and fill quickly, so pre-registration is required! Directions and garden descriptions will be sent with your confirmation. **Fee: $10 PHS members, $25 for member guests.**

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER IN WAYNE, PA

SPRING TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, May 5, 6 – 8 pm

Grounds Manager **Peter Brindle** will guide us around Chanticleer to admire a wealth of spring-blooming woody plants. Many natives of the eastern forest will be flowering then, joined by exotics from other temperate lands. Brindle will focus on using these plants in the home landscape and choosing the right plant for a given location. There will be summer and fall versions of this program offered on July 29 and September 21. Check future issues of *PHS News*. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SPRING WILDFLOWERS

Tuesday, May 11, 6 – 8 pm

The natural areas of Chanticleer are abundant with delights in May. Horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will highlight spring wildflowers at their peak and discuss how you may use them in your own pleasure garden. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

ASIAN WOODLAND PLANTS

Wednesday, May 19, 6 – 8 pm

Lisa Roper, Asian Woods gardener at Chanticleer, will lead an in-depth tour through this woodland garden. In recent years, a surge of interest in plant collecting in China, Japan and Korea has led to new plant introductions and more availability. We will look at perennials, shrubs, trees and bamboos from Asia that thrive in our climate. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

25 PLANTS I WOULDN'T GARDEN WITHOUT (IN MY ZONE 7 GARDEN)

Wednesday, June 2, 6 – 8 pm

Everyone has his or her own list of favorite plants. Chanticleer horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** will share his, including trees, shrubs and herbaceous plants, as well as some tropicals and tenders to spice things up. The class will be conducted as an informal walk around Chanticleer. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SHADE GARDENING

Tuesday, June 8, 6 – 8 pm

Tempted by the dark side? Come to Chanticleer and let **Przemek Walczak** show you a variety of plants that will thrive in shade. We will look at different shade conditions and varying moisture levels. Herbaceous plants and understory trees will be included. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

THE MIXED BORDER

Thursday, June 17, 6 – 8 pm

In the garden border, a mixture of annuals, perennials, bulbs, shrubs and vines can create a rich tapestry. Join horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she discusses the mixed border using the gardens at Chanticleer as a backdrop. Lisa will highlight exciting color combinations, offer tips on planning for all-season interest, and discuss inter-planting techniques in a variety of cultural conditions. Limit 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

GOOD GARDENING

Wednesday, June 23, 6 – 8 pm

Join us for a dialogue and walk around the grounds of Chanticleer with horticulturist **Joe Henderson**, looking at design features and plants that make gardens extraordinary. Come prepared to voice your comments! Limit 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

LINE, COLOR, FORM AND HOT NEW PLANTS

Wednesday, July 14, 6 – 8 pm

Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** as we stroll through the gardens looking critically at what Chanticleer staff does best: grows and displays new and innovative plants and plant combinations. We will emphasize plants with interesting lines, texture and color, both hardy and tender, that are suitable for Delaware Valley gardens. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

PEONYLAND

Thursday, May 13, 10 am – 12 noon
Richlandtown, PA

Join us for a guided tour of Peonyland, by owner **Michael Hsu**, at the peak of peony season and expect to make a purchase or two for your own garden. Peonyland is the largest Chinese tree peony nursery outside China, with over 60,000 tree peonies in more than 700 varieties, and 8,000 herbaceous peonies, in 150 varieties, growing on this 54-acre estate. Directions will be mailed with confirmations. Limit: 20. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

MIXED BORDERS AT DAVID CULP'S GARDEN

Tuesday, May 25, 10 am – 12 noon
Downingtown, PA

David Culp's garden is his version of a Pennsylvania country garden around an eighteenth-century farmhouse. It includes mixed borders for sun and shade and combines native and exotic plants in a naturalistic design. There are rock, rose, and vegetable gardens, as well as a walled garden in the ruins of an old carriage house. Directions will be mailed with confirmations. Limit: 20. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

David Culp is sales representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, contributing editor to *Horticulture* magazine, and a freelance author, designer and lecturer.

FOCUS ON ROSES

Saturday, June 5, 10 am – 12 noon
Bryn Mawr, PA

Garden designer **Fran Sorin** will lead a tour of her garden and explain how she has incorporated roses seamlessly into her garden, dispelling the myth that roses are difficult specimens. She will discuss how to select the right roses for the right location, how to care for roses organically in Zone 6, and how to make sure their beauty stands out in your herbaceous borders. Directions will be mailed with confirmation. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

Fran Sorin's book, *Digging Deep: Unearthing Your Creative Roots Through Gardening*, is being published this spring by Warner Books. She appears frequently on television. For more information about Fran, visit *www.fransorin.com*.

MEADOWBROOK FARM EVENTS IN MEADOWBROOK, PA

WALK: FORMAL PRUNING TECHNIQUES

Wednesday, June 9, 10 am – 12 noon

Using the private gardens of the late J. Liddon Pennock, Jr. as an outdoor classroom, horticulturist **Ted Zoltowski** will demonstrate easy hand-pruning tips. Ted will show how to prune formal hedges, topiary and espalier and discuss his favorite tools for specialized pruning. Limit: 20. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: BOG GARDEN CONTAINERS

Thursday, June 10, 10 am – 12 noon

Focussing on the cultivation of *Sarracenia* species, **Karl Rider**, of Meadowbrook Farm, will share his experience growing pitcher plants in containers. You will create fully hardy novelty combination pots in this hands-on workshop. The fee includes a 14" container, planting medium, and three plants. Decorative containers and additional plants will also be available for purchase. Limit 20. **Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS

Tuesday, June 15, 10 am – 12 noon

This program, led by **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce the fascinating world of cactus and succulents, including the distinction between the terms. Culture, care and propagation will be covered, and everyone will propagate and take home a plant. Limit: 20. **Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

WALK/DEMONSTRATION: INFORMAL PRUNING TECHNIQUES

Wednesday, June 16, 10 am – 12 noon

Pruning is a basic skill every gardener needs to develop. In this demonstration, which includes a walk around the grounds of Meadowbrook Farm, **John Story** will offer essential practical tips on how to prune a variety of shrubs, including broad leaf evergreens, conifers, flowering shrubs and "cut backs." Limit 20. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Spring Garden Visit: Ambler, PA	5/16	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Spring Garden Visit: Haverford, PA	6/6	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Spring Garden Visit: Brandywine Valley, PA	6/20	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Spring Trees and Shrubs	5/5	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Spring Wildflowers	5/11	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Asian Woodland Plants	5/19	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ 25 Plants I Wouldn't Garden Without	6/2	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Shade Gardening	6/8	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ The Mixed Border	6/17	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Good Gardening	6/23	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Line, Color and Form and Hot New Plants	7/14	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Peonyland	5/13	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Mixed Borders at David Culp's Garden	5/25	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Focus on Roses	6/5	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Formal Pruning Techniques	6/9	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Bog Garden Containers	6/10	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Cactus and Succulents	6/15	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Informal Pruning Techniques	6/16	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Book Talk: The Rural Life	6/3	Fee: $20	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____

(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

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EVENING PROGRAM

BOOK TALK: THE RURAL LIFE

Thursday, June 3, 7 pm

PHS Auditorium, Philadelphia, PA

In his lyrical reflection on the four seasons, *The Rural Life*, **Verlyn Klinkenborg** shares his appreciation of the American landscape and the ordinary beauty of daily life. Don't miss this rare opportunity to hear the author discuss his work, which the *New York Times Book Review* describes as "luminous… A brilliant book…" This program is in collaboration with Blue Sky, a non-profit organization dedicated to developing and producing works of art that present the drama of human experience through stories of real people and actual events. For more information on Blue Sky, visit *www.blueskyarts.org*. **Fee: $20.**

Verlyn Klinkenborg is also the author of *Making Hay* and *The Last Fine Time*. He is a member of the editorial board of the *New York Times* and writes for numerous national publications. He splits his time between Manhattan and his farm in upstate New York.

The McLean Library will be open until 6:45. This program will be followed by light refreshments and wine.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to:

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Attn: Program Activities
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You may also register by fax (215-988-8810), or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

SPECIAL SPRING SHOPPING EVENT FOR PHS MEMBERS

J. Franklin Styer Nurseries will host a special shopping event for PHS members on Thursday evening, June 3 from 4 – 8 pm. Don't miss this great opportunity to save 20% on a wide selection of new and unusual plants, the latest in perennial introductions, tropicals and annuals, and one of the largest selections of trees and shrubs in the Delaware Valley.

Styer's is located at 914 Baltimore Pike, Concordville, PA. Telephone: 610-459-2400. Visit them on the web at *www.styers.com*. Don't forget your PHS membership card!

MASTER DUTCH FLORIST BOOKS AVAILABLE

PHS has a few copies of *Flowerworld, A Road to Floral Art*, by Aad van Uffelen, who led a lecture and workshop during the Flower Show. To order your copy ($65 + shipping & handling), please contact Dora Rogers at 215-988-8879 or *drogers@pennhort.org*.

Give to PHS through the United Way.
Our Donor Option ID number is 06197

DONATIONS NEEDED FOR MCLEAN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

We're looking for used gardening and natural history books to sell at our annual book sale, held each fall in the McLean Library. The sale, open to members and the public, is a wonderful way to recycle good gardening books and help support the library. So now is the time to do a little weeding—of your book shelves—and deliver them to the Library. For more information, call 215-988-8772 or email *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*.

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2004 PHS SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS

Now in its fifth year, the PHS Suburban Greening Awards recognize the beauty and value of public-space plantings in suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. Nominations are sought for public parks, main street planters, church gardens, train stations, municipal grounds, and other public plantings outside the Philadelphia city limits.

If you know of a public space planting in suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, or Delaware that should be recognized by PHS, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or email *specialevents@pennhort.org*. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2004.

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A FRESH DESTINATION FOR PHS MEMBERS... AND THEIR FRIENDS!

Meadowbrook Farm, a 23-acre property in Abington Township, Montgomery County, PA, has been for many years the site of horticultural classes and workshops for PHS members, led by Meadowbrook staff. Recently, this charming estate has become part of the PHS family.

Photos by Pete Prown

This past April, the PHS Council voted unanimously to accept the bequest of J. Liddon Pennock, Jr, leaving part of his estate, including the Meadowbrook property, to PHS. In his bequest, Mr. Pennock directed that PHS use Meadowbrook Farm "in accordance with the mission and goals of the Society."

Mr. Pennock, who died on July 24, 2003, was a former PHS Council member and principal advisor to the Philadelphia Flower Show. After his death, Anne Kellett, chair of PHS Council, appointed "The Committee to Analyze Meadowbrook" to study the bequest and the operations of Meadowbrook Farm. Chaired by Morris Cheston, Jr., the committee performed extensive research, including legal reviews, financial analysis, environmental and building studies, and met with representatives from Abington Township before making its recommendation to accept the bequest.

"Liddon was a dear friend to PHS, and we are delighted that he chose to leave this wonderful property to the Society," said Jane Pepper. "We welcome the opportunity to continue Liddon's vision at Meadowbrook and to use Meadowbrook to further PHS's mission."

Meadowbrook Farm will operate as a separate nonprofit organization under the guidance of a newly formed Meadowbrook Committee. John Story, Meadowbrook's general manager for 16 years, will remain in this position. Meadowbrook, which includes a retail nursery and shop, also will continue as an important venue for forcing plants for the Philadelphia Flower Show for its own and other Flower Show exhibits.

Meadowbrook's nursery and greenhouse offer thousands of varieties of plants, including perennials, orchids, cacti & succulents, alpines, natives, specialty trees and shrubs, and more than 150 types of begonias. Pre-booked tours of the house and private formal gardens can be arranged for groups of 15 or more. (For more information on booking a tour, please contact Sandy Hammerschmidt at: *tours@meadowbrook-farm.com* or phone 215-887-5900.)

If you have not yet visited Meadowbrook Farm, see page 5 for details on a PHS workshop there on July 22. For directions and more information, please go to the Meadowbrook website at *www.meadowbrook-farm.com.*

SAVE THE DATE

Members' Day
September 18, 2004, 11 am – 5 pm
Philadelphia Naval Business Center

Join your fellow PHS members for the second annual Members' Day, which includes the Annual Plant Dividend, music and refreshments, horticultural demonstrations and vendors, a selection of PHS Gold Medal Plants, and much more. The Philadelphia Naval Business Center is a great location with ample parking. Watch your mailbox for an invitation and more information, or visit the PHS website (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org)* and click on "PHS Events."

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Farewell to Wilbur Zimmerman

"Kind, gentle, and thoughtful," were just a few of the adjectives friends and family used to describe Dr. L. Wilbur Zimmerman at the service held in his memory in the Haverford Friends Meeting in late May.

"Renaissance Man" and "Man for All Seasons" also surfaced in the presentations, and when I look back on Wilbur's 97 years, this is how I see him. Wilbur was interested in just about everything and had encyclopedic knowledge of many topics, ranging from dentistry (his profession) to orchids, literature, dogs and photography. As Walt Fisher, long-time Flower Show exhibitor, said, "Wilbur was the consummate volunteer; he seemed to be involved in everything PHS did, always with his camera." Walt went on to say that Wilbur had been taking world-class photographs for more than 75 years and was still experimenting with exposures, film speeds, and film types—"still seeking perfection."

When I came to PHS in 1979, Wilbur was completing a four-year term as chair of Council, having served on many committees over a period of 20 years, including the Flower Show Executive Committee. His role as chair of PHS was just the beginning of a whole line of other assignments, including serving on the Horticultural Hotline (now the Ask a Gardener Committee) and photographing award winners at the Flower Show.

Just as noteworthy, Wilbur was chair of the Publications Committee that recommended we launch *Green Scene* magazine in 1972. In March 2000, he wrote a piece for the magazine about the very first Philadelphia Flower Show.

Finally, Wilbur was on the original committee that launched PHS into the field of community greening and, in subsequent years, he was always cheering us on, sending notes to comment on a new Philadelphia Green program or judging the City Gardens Contest.

Wilbur played an important role at PHS over many years, and Ernesta Ballard, PHS's leader from 1963 through 1980, paid him the ultimate compliment at his memorial service when she commented that, on top of everything else, he was one of the best pruners she had ever known. I think he would have liked that.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

J. Gannon

CITY HALL BLOOMS

For the 12th straight year, PHS and the Fairmount Park Commission jointly hosted the annual City Hall in Bloom event on May 20. Here, young volunteers help plant some of the more than 3,000 plants that went into the ground in under two hours. About 100 kids from several city schools took part.

TRAVEL WITH US

English Garden Tour with Jane Pepper
June 2005

Next year, Jane Pepper will lead a tour of English gardens in the lovely setting of the Cotswolds and South Midlands. Steeped in history and culture, this region is studded with beautiful gardens that offer a study in contrasts: large and small, urban and rural, traditional and modern.

As always with PHS tours, the focus will also be on private gardens, including city gardens in Bristol and a variety of village gardens.

We leave the US on Sunday, June 5 and return on Thursday, June 16. If you would like to receive a brochure, which will be available in early fall, please contact Betsie Blodgett at *bblodgett@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8818.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: SHIRLEY ARMSTEAD

Shirley Armstead has done it all. Since becoming involved with PHS back in the early 1980s, she has volunteered her time in many areas of the organization and she doesn't plan to stop anytime soon.

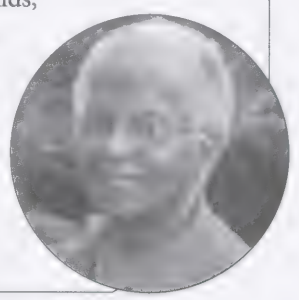
She first got involved, as many PHS volunteers do, through the Philadelphia Flower Show. A New Jersey resident, Shirley is an active member of the Moorestown Garden Club, which often exhibits at the Show. Shirley has been a membership-sales volunteer at the Show for at least 10 years.

Each spring, she puts on a friendly face at the New Members' Party at Chanticleer, doing her best to help new members feel comfortable and introducing them to each other. She also helps out at the Leadership-level members' party at Meadowbrook Farm. "It's a chance to meet new people; that's what makes it fun," says Shirley, adding, "I'm a really good *schmoozer*."

Shirley also helps bring in new members through the annual membership phone-a-thon. In the summertime, she volunteers to visit gardens in Philadelphia as a City Gardens Contest judge. She has also served as an evaluator for the Suburban Greening Awards and volunteered her time at Kids Grow Expo.

This year, she serves on the committee planning PHS's newest membership event, the fall Members' Party, to be held on September 18 at the Philadelphia Naval Business Center (see front page for more info). She describes this committee as "awesome" and is delighted to be involved.

A fellow member of the Moorestown Garden Club calls Shirley "the club's begonia expert," though Shirley brushes off the appellation. She says, "Basically, I have three passions: my grandkids, bowling, and begonias." A long-time member of the American Begonia Society, she has won ribbons for her plants. (She's also an amateur photographer; one of her begonia photographs landed on the cover of a Begonia Society brochure.)



Shirley's enthusiasm is contagious. "I have fun doing it," she says of her PHS work, "and I enjoy the people so much."

PROGRESS REPORT: THE GREEN CITY STRATEGY

Update on the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative

In June 2003, the City of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI) awarded a one-year, $4 million contract to PHS to support its Green City Strategy, which calls for significant improvements to the city's "green infrastructure" as a tool for revitalization. As the year draws to a close, PHS, through its Philadelphia Green program, has met or exceeded the goals it set forth in the contract. Below, Mike Groman, director of Philadelphia Green, brings us up to date.

The Neighborhood Transformation Initiative includes a significant effort to reclaim the city's **vacant land**. We started out with a goal of stabilizing one million square feet—or one thousand parcels (single street addresses). "Stabilization" involves clearing the land of debris, planting grass and trees and installing simple wood fencing around the perimeter. This strategy, known as "clean & green," dramatically improves the appearance of neighborhoods, prevents further deterioration, and helps attract new investment.

The work focuses on six target areas identified by NTI: East Mount Airy/Germantown/Tioga, Frankford, South Philadelphia, West Philadelphia, Eastern North and North Central Philadelphia. As of the end of June, we've **exceeded the initial goal by about one third, stabilizing 1,298,000 square feet, or nearly 1,300 parcels, of vacant land**.

Photos by Margaret Funderburg

Vacant lot before

and after

Garden Block project

Another goal was to come up with a model program for **community-based vacant land maintenance**. Philadelphia Green selected eight organizations and trained them to provide basic landscaping maintenance services on land newly cleared by the city. The eight organizations—which mostly employ residents of the six target neighborhoods—are **currently maintaining 1,971 parcels of vacant land, or 201 more than our stated goal**. One group has even taken on additional work in the American Street Empowerment Zone.

In the area of **community greening**, it's also been a very productive year. Philadelphia Green completed landscape improvements along **four high-profile community corridors**: Frankford Avenue, Ogontz Avenue, Girard Avenue, and Oxford Avenue. We also took on several **"signature greening projects"** in the six target neighborhoods. These are major landscape improvements at important community sites, including libraries, schools, parks and business corridors.

We also completed **23 garden projects** throughout the city, including the creation of new community gardens, as well as enhancements at six of our "Keystone Gardens," larger, established community gardens that began with Philadelphia Green support. We made improvements to **26 neighborhood parks** and offered training and special events for park volunteers. We completed **"garden block" projects in five communities**, distributing plants along with 900 garden containers to residents on adjoining blocks and training the people to care for them.

In **education and training**, we increased the number of workshops offered through our Garden Tender and Tree Tender projects, and we launched a **new "City Gardening Series" of free lectures and workshops** held at community locations throughout Philadelphia.

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It's been an extremely busy year for us, and we're encouraged by the progress made so far. This first-year effort has dramatically improved the appearance of city neighborhoods and helped residents to work together. What's more, we've been able to integrate the NTI-funded work into the ongoing work of Philadelphia Green, leveraging resources provided by longstanding partners like The Pew Charitable Trusts, the William Penn Foundation, and the city's Office of Neighborhood Revitalization.

PHS continues to promote its Green City Strategy. We are embarking on another one-year contract with the city and are moving forward with other exciting initiatives, including our Center City Open Space Plan, which aims to enhance downtown public landscapes.

For more information on the Green City Strategy, visit the PHS website (below) and click on "Philadelphia Green."

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The City Gardening Series will present several workshops during the months of July and August, held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming workshops, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

FLOWER ARRANGING EVENTS WITH JUDITH BLACKLOCK AND ALAN BEATTY

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society welcomes **Judith Blacklock** and **Alan Beatty**, acclaimed British floral designers, who will jointly present a series of programs sure to inspire both beginning and experienced flower arrangers.

Judith Blacklock is the author of five best-selling books on floral arts. She runs the Judith Blacklock School in London; is editor of *The Flower Arranger*, a leading magazine for floral arts; and has created floral designs for Kensington Palace. Alan Beatty, from Northern Ireland, is a judge and a demonstrator for Great Britain's National Association of Floral Arts Societies.

For more information about the content of these programs, call Mary Jo Strawbridge at 610-664-5096.

Thursday, September 30

PHS Auditorium, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA

Demonstration: Flowers for Churches
1:30 – 3:30 pm

This program offers floral designs for the church arranger and covers containers, conditioning, proportion and scale. Space limited; register early. Fee: $55.

Friday, October 1

Philadelphia Cricket Club, 415 W. Willow Grove Ave., Philadelphia
Free parking

Demonstration: Flowers for Home and Entertaining
10 am – 12 noon

This program focuses on fresh ideas for the home—from simple floral designs to brighten a space to more elaborate arrangements for entertaining. Fee: $55 open seating; $75 preferred seating (first 5 rows). Space limited; register early.

Workshop: Arranging with Berries and Fruits
1:30 – 3:30 pm

This workshop, designed for more experienced flower arrangers, will focus on dramatic arrangements incorporating seasonal berries and fruits. Fee: $125 (Limit 20)

Saturday, October 2

PHS Auditorium, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA

Workshop: Beginning and Intermediate Arranging
10 am – 12 noon

This workshop will stress basic arranging principles, style and techniques for the beginner and will help intermediate arrangers gain the confidence to experiment with new ideas. Fee: $125. (Limit 20) Limited free parking on Saturday.

Registration

Mail this form to Lisa Wiley, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Confirmations and additional instructions will be sent to participants.

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Address _____

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Thurs., 9/30, Demonstration: Flowers for Churches, PHS
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Fri., 10/1, Demonstration: Flowers for Home and Entertaining, Philadelphia Cricket Club
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_____ reservations for preferred seating @$75 = $_____

Fri., 10/1, Workshop: Arranging With Fruits and Berries, Philadelphia Cricket Club
_____ reservations @$125 = $_____

Sat., 10/2, Workshop: Beginning and Intermediate Arranging, PHS
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Total amount $_____

Registering for two or more? Please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

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WOODY PLANT CONFERENCE

Friday, July 16, 2004
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College

Register early for this year's Woody Plant Conference, which will include a special presentation on PHS's Green City Strategy by **Mike Groman**, director of Philadelphia Green, as well as lectures on rhododendrons, ancient trees and more. Other speakers include **Dan Hinkley**, author and founder of Heronswood Nursery in Washington State; **Greg Hoover**, an ornamental entomologist with Pennsylvania State University; Morris Arboretum director **Paul Meyer**; **Margaret Pooler**, a research geneticist and shrub breeder at the National Arboretum in Washington, DC; and **Harold Sweetman**, director of the Jenkins Arboretum.

The Woody Plant Conference is co-sponsored by Longwood Gardens, Inc.; the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania; the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society; the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and the Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

For registration information, please call the continuing education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000 ext. 507.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869); fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE PA

LINE, COLOR, FORM AND HOT NEW PLANTS
Wednesday, July 14, 6 – 8 pm

Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** as we stroll through the gardens looking critically at what the Chanticleer staff does best: grows and displays new and innovative plants and plant combinations. We will emphasize plants with interesting lines, texture and color, both hardy and tender, that are suitable for Delaware Valley gardens. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

HEDGES AND SCREENS
Tuesday, July 20, 6 – 8 pm

Good fences make good neighbors—or so the saying goes. But a well-designed grouping of interesting plants can provide a more friendly and creative way to hide an undesirable view. On this walk with Chanticleer grounds manager **Peter Brindle**, you'll see a variety of plants used to define spaces and lend structure to the garden. Peter will discuss the characteristics of the plants and offer tips on selecting the best ones for your landscape. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SUMMER TREES AND SHRUBS
Thursday, July 29, 6 – 8 pm

Chanticleer grounds manager **Peter Brindle** will guide us around the garden admiring a wealth of woody plants with summer interest. Many natives of the eastern forest will be flowering then, joined by exotics from other temperate lands. Peter will focus on using these plants in the home landscape and choosing the right plant for a given location. This is the second of three seasonal walks, with the fall version to be offered September 21. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

PONDS AND POOLS
Tuesday, August 3, 6 – 8 pm

Joe Henderson, horticulturist at Chanticleer, will devote this program to plants that like "wet feet." We'll tour the pond area and walk the path along the stream to learn about plants that tolerate wet conditions, as well as aquatic plants, such as waterlilies, which must be completely submerged to thrive. Joe will discuss ways to use moisture-loving plants to soften the pond's edge and incorporate the pond into the surrounding landscape. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

THE ARRANGER'S GARDEN
Wednesday, August 11, 6 – 8 pm

One of the best parts of flower gardening is enjoying the fruits of your labors in colorful and fragrant cut-flower arrangements. Join horticulturist **Doug Croft** for a pleasant stroll through Chanticleer's Cut Flower Garden for a look at creative combinations of annuals, perennials, and shrubs. We'll discuss gardening practices that allow you to fill your home with floral arrangements throughout the growing season and beyond. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM WALK
MEADOWBROOK, PA

MARGINAL AND BOG PLANTS
Thursday, July 22, 10 – 12 noon

Here's a unique opportunity to go behind the scenes at Meadowbrook Farm to see a water garden in the early stages of development. Horticulturist **Karl Rider** will lead a walking tour and discuss aspects of planning, site preparation and planting. Special attention will be paid to the construction of the bog, which hosts several species of *Sarracenia* and other bog denizens. Good walking shoes and the ability to navigate a steep grade are necessary. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

SEED TRIALS AT FORDHOOK FARM
Wednesday, August 4, 10 am – 12 noon
Doylestown, PA

Do you ever wonder what goes into the development of all those new varieties of flowers and vegetables each year? Join us for a special tour of Fordhook Farm, the original site of the W. Atlee Burpee Company. On this tour, guided by **Grace Romero**, director of research for Burpee, and Burpee owner **George Ball**, we'll see 250 varieties of tomatoes, heirloom tomatoes, melons and other vegetables, as well as All America Selection trials of candidates for award-winning new plants. You will get a sneak peek at new varieties before they hit the market. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM
(for events on this page)

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Line, Color, Form and Hot New Plants	7/14	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Hedges and Screens	7/20	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Summer Trees and Shrubs	7/29	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Ponds and Pools	8/3	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ The Arranger's Garden	8/11	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Marginal and Bog Plants	7/22	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Seed Trials at Fordhook Farm	8/4	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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SAVE THE DATE
Library Book Sale

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale, where you can purchase new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. **The sale will be held Wednesday, October 6th, from 10 am to 5 pm, in the library on the first floor of PHS headquarters.** The Library welcomes book donations for this event. For more information and to make donations, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at 215-988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org.*

THE 2005 FLOWER SHOW

Horticulture Entries, Exhibitors' Guide

Try your hand at growing one of the challenge plants for the 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show (**a Begonia, a bog plant, and an Echeveria**). A limited supply of plants will be available for $5 each at PHS after September 21. Only one of each plant per exhibitor—first-come, first served; no reservations. Only plants purchased from PHS are eligible for these classes. To see if plants are still available; call PHS at 215-988-8800 after September 21 and ask for the Shows Department. Plants must be picked up by Wednesday, October 6.

Unsure about the **horticulture entry process** for the Flower Show? Come to a **free brown-bag presentation for all horticulture exhibitors** at noon on Tuesday, November 16, at PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia. Horticulture Committee chairs will talk about how to enter the Show and how to groom your plants for best effect. Please contact Carol Dutill at 215-988-8869 to reserve a space. Bring your lunch; beverages will be provided.

IMPORTANT NOTE: Automatic mailing of the **Philadelphia Flower Show Exhibitor's Guide** to all PHS members has been discontinued. The guide and other information about entering the Show can be downloaded from the Flower Show website (*www.theflowershow.com*) each year beginning in September. To request a free printed copy of the Exhibitor's Guide, send your name and address (print clearly, please) to the Shows Department, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, or e-mail *fsguide@pennhort.org* (This e-mail address is for Exhibitor's Guide requests only, not for general information about the Show. For Show information, call PHS at 215-988-8800 or go to *www.theflowershow.com*).

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NEW NEIGHBORHOOD TOUR SERIES PARTNERS WITH PHS

The **Philadelphia Neighborhood Tourism Network** tours, developed by the **Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corporation**, take visitors beyond the usual sites in the city's historic district and introduce them to Philadelphia's richly diverse neighborhoods and cultural traditions.

In a new partnership with PHS, this year's program includes a **trolley tour of award-winning gardens in the PHS City Gardens Contest**. Participants will visit private, tucked-away flower gardens, large urban farms, and community gardens. Gardeners will be on hand to answer questions and talk with visitors.

The "Urban Oases" tour takes place on Saturday, September 25 from 10 am to 1 pm. All tours depart from Independence Visitor Center at 6th & Market Streets. PHS members receive a $5 discount off the $30 (adult) ticket price. **For more information or reservations, contact the Neighborhood Tourism Network at 215-599-2295 or** ***ntn@gophila.com.***

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MEMBERS' DAY 2004

Join us for the 2nd PHS Members' Day, **September 18, 11 am to 5 pm**, at the Philadelphia Naval Business Center (formerly the Philadelphia Navy Yard).

We've put together a fun-filled day just for members, including music, complimentary snacks, a special promotion for renewing and new members, a new **marketplace** with vendors selling an array of plants and garden accessories, and the ever-popular **Annual Plant Dividend**.

The day will also include an impressive list of **lectures and demonstrations** on horticultural topics, beginning at 11:00 and continuing every half-hour until 4:30. There will also be **activities for kids** and **tours** of the Naval Business Center.

In the **Plant Dividend** tent, members can choose free plants (one for associate members and three for full household memberships and above). Presenting your membership card will help speed you through check-in. Plants are grown and donated by expert propagators (members and commercial growers). Selections include perennials, shrubs, houseplants, and trees that will beautify your indoor or outdoor garden for many years to come.

The Gold Medal display, Members' Day 2003

Photos by Pete Prown

The Plant Dividend tent at Members' Day, 2003

At the tent for the **PHS Gold Medal Plant Award** program, which recognizes exceptional plants for our growing region, you'll be able to see and purchase Gold Medal plants. Experts will be on hand to answer your questions.

The **membership tent** will feature a special promotion for members who are renewing (regardless of renewal date) and new members who join PHS that day. The first 300 new and renewing members will receive **free daffodil bulbs** at the perfect time for fall planting.

Throughout the day, complimentary light **refreshments** will be available. You can also purchase sandwiches and other snacks from Foodarama, located next to the membership tent.

You can easily reach the Philadelphia Naval Business Center by car or by public transportation. Ample free parking is available. ***Driving directions are on back page.***

For more information, including a complete **list of speakers** and a partial list of this year's **Dividend plants**, please visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.*

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP ONLINE

Members' Day on September 18th is a great time to renew your PHS membership, but you can also renew online any time of day or night. Just visit the PHS website, click on "membership," and choose your membership category. You'll also find other useful information for members, including a list of garden centers, retail stores, and nurseries that offer discounts to PHS members throughout the year.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

A Cornucopia of Fall Fun

With Labor Day upon us, the tempo at PHS is quickening, and we look forward to welcoming members, both new and old, to fall and winter events. If you are new to your PHS membership, I offer a special welcome, and in this "Pepperpot" I want to encourage you to take advantage of the many opportunities available through your membership.

First on the list is **Members' Day** on Saturday, September 18. At last year's event, it was hot and humid with thundershowers off and on throughout the day. But our members would not be deterred, and more than 1,000 of them enjoyed the opportunity to meet fellow members, attend educational sessions and take home treasures from the Plant Dividend tent. This year, with a new marketplace and more lectures, it will be even more fun, and we're planning on blue skies.

Also for your fall itinerary, I suggest a shopping trip to **Meadowbrook Farm**, J. Liddon Pennock Jr.'s beautiful estate in Meadowbrook, PA, which was bequeathed to PHS after Liddon's death last year. This is the place to buy fall mums, pots for the patio, shrubs and fall annuals. For more information, visit *www.meadowbrook-farm.com.*

Also, think about buying a plant at Meadowbrook that you will enter in the **Philadelphia Flower Show Competitive Classes**. Or, if you'd like to try your hand or enhance your skills in **flower arranging**, sign up for a workshop with two acclaimed British floral designers (see page 5). For information on the ins and outs of entering the Flower Show, contact Betty Greene at 215-988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org.*

In this newsletter you'll find information on many other PHS **activities & programs** to brighten your fall and winter seasons, from book discussions in the McLean Library to programs held at PHS headquarters, Meadowbrook Farm, and other nearby locations including **Chanticleer**, the lovely garden in Wayne, PA, where PHS members enjoy free admission. (Learn more at *www.chanticleergarden.org*). And if you're dreaming about a change of scenery, you can even plan now to travel next year to **exciting destinations** with your fellow PHS members (see page 4).

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

2005 PLANT SALES AND EVENTS LISTINGS

Each year in the March issue, *PHS News* publishes a list of plant sales, exhibits and other major annual events sponsored by local Plant Societies and other nonprofit organizations. To list your event in the March 2005 issue, please complete a Plant Society questionnaire and return it to PHS by December 1, 2004. **If your event has been listed in the past, you will automatically receive this form in the mail, after October 1.** If your organization has never been listed or if the address has changed, please contact Laurie Fitzpatrick (*lfitzpatrick@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8769), and a questionnaire will be sent to you.

Due to space limitations, we can only include events taking place within a reasonable driving distance of Philadelphia. Monthly meetings and other ongoing events will not be included. **This listing is a service to our readers; listings may be changed or deleted at the discretion of the editor.**

2005 UNITED WAY CAMPAIGN

Fall marks the start of the annual United Way campaign. United Way contributions are an important source of support for PHS and its programs, including Philadelphia Green, which works with communities throughout Philadelphia to beautify neighborhoods, enhance public parks, reclaim vacant land and preserve green space.

This year, please consider making a United Way gift to PHS. **Simply note our Donor Option ID number, 06197, on your United Way pledge card for 2005. Many thanks!**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ED McFARLANE

Ed McFarlane is a very busy guy. A PHS volunteer since the early 1980s, he started out at the Flower Show, working in the Flower Show Shoppe. Before long, he was splitting his time between the Shoppe and the Horticulture Information Booth. The Flower Show experience led him to the old Harvest Show, where he helped oversee the Herb Section for several years. More recently, he has served as vice chair of the Flower Show Horticultural Information Booth, a presenter at the gardener's studio, and a member of the horticulture passing committee. He has also been a volunteer judge for both the City Gardens Contest and the Suburban Greening Award.

This year, Ed chairs the Plant Dividend Committee. (The Annual Plant Dividend will be held at Members' Day on September 18; see page 1 for details). In this role, he helps coordinate the volunteers who grow the plants that will be distributed to members, helps transport the plants to the Naval Business Center, and will be on hand most of the day to help supervise the event. He's part of the Members' Day Committee, too.

And those are just his PHS activities. Ed is vice president and one of the original members of the Tamanend Park Herb Gardening Club. The noteworthy garden, located in Southampton, Bucks County, includes 14 specialized herb beds and a "hops tower." Each year, the club hosts a plant sale and donates plants to Philadelphia Green and other organizations.

Ed is also president of the Philadelphia Rose Society, and his familiarity with roses comes in handy in his career as a funeral director. He often collects roses from his own garden to help beautify the funeral home, adding a personal touch to the services.

As if one career weren't enough, Ed gives lectures and designs private gardens on the side. In his "spare time," he collects and grows scented geraniums—56 varieties grew in his garden this year—and occasionally he sells some of the varieties he has propagated at a local nursery. True to form, he taps that nursery for donations to the PHS Plant Dividend.

Indeed, almost everything Ed does involves horticulture in some way. "Horticulture is a great release for me," says Ed, who is entirely self-taught when it comes to plants. "It's also really rewarding. I've had a good long association with PHS and I've made many good friends and met interesting people."

When does he sleep? "I'm always running," Ed admits. This year's Members' Day will be no exception. It's the same day as his son's wedding, and he'll have to be in two places at the same time. But if anyone can pull it off, Ed McFarlane surely will.

GREEN CITY STRATEGY UPDATE: GROWING GARDENS

In June 2003, the City of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI) awarded a one-year contract to PHS to support its Green City Strategy, which calls for significant improvements to the city's "green infrastructure" as a tool for revitalization. Recognizing the positive impact gardens have on neighborhoods, the city dedicated significant funding to community garden projects.

Over the course of the year, PHS, through its Philadelphia Green program, worked with community groups to complete 23 garden projects throughout the city. Existing gardens were enhanced with fences, storage sheds and other amenities, while several abandoned gardens were revived. In some cases, new gardens were created on vacant lots.

Creating a new garden is a step-by-step process that begins with the gardeners themselves. "We look for enthusiastic, motivated people who have completed our Garden Tenders training course," says Paco Verin, a project coordinator for Philadelphia Green. Staff members then help guide the gardeners through the sometimes complicated task of verifying the ownership of a vacant lot and gaining permission to use it for a garden. Once that is accomplished, the work of designing and creating a new garden can begin.

Not all gardens are located on formerly vacant lots. For example, in the city's Mount Airy section, Philadelphia Green helped design and create a new garden beside the Lovett Branch of the Free Library, located on Germantown Avenue. The "Reading Garden" invites library patrons to read under the shade of ornamental shrubs and trees and includes unique benches designed by Mount Airy-based sculptor Warren Holzman.

Whether they focus on vegetables, ornamental plants, or a combination of the two, many community gardens "grow more than plants," Paco notes. When residents come together to garden, they begin to seek out other ways to work together to improve their neighborhoods.

On Palethorpe Street in North Philadelphia, for example, Iris Brown, who chairs the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, helped create a *Colobo*, an African village garden that celebrates the African and Puerto Rican roots of many of the neighborhood's residents. And on South 53rd Street, a new garden group organizes projects that benefit the community's children, including a holiday toy drive and a collection for back-to-school supplies.

At a renovated garden at Thompson & Mascher Streets, in the Kensington section, a small-but-growing garden group grows extra vegetables for senior citizens at the nearby Zion Garden Apartments. The Thompson Street gardeners also plan to sell heirloom tomatoes to a new, locally owned café in the neighborhood.

This garden, called "Cohocksink" after an underground creek that runs beneath it, has helped bring the neighborhood residents together in a way that "cuts across generations and across cultures," says Roger Wing, who started the process of reviving this garden. Roger and his wife moved to the neighborhood less than three years ago, and he says the garden has been a great resource for getting to know people in the community that he might not have connected with otherwise. Two of the most active members of the group are from the Phillippines, while another is Palestinian.

Photos by J. Gannon

Cohocksink Garden.

"People are always stopping by to see what's growing," says Roger, "even if they're not interested in gardening themselves. I've met neighbors who come from Greece, Albania, Senegal, and Nigeria." The entire neighborhood is very supportive of the group's efforts. Even non-gardening neighbors have volunteered to help.

"It's truly inspiring," says Philadelphia Green director Mike Groman. "Gardens like these are living examples of the power of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's mission 'to create a sense of community and improve the quality of life through horticulture'."

Gardeners at work at 53rd and Warrington Streets.

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2005 GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARDS

The **PHS Gold Medal Plant Award** program recognizes beautiful, reliable trees, shrubs, and vines that thrive in the Mid-Atlantic region. They are plants that home gardeners can grow with confidence.

PHS is grateful to the many individuals and organizations who help support the Gold Medal program: The **Gold Medal Plant Award Committee**, a volunteer panel of horticulturists, nursery owners, landscape professionals and home growers, meets twice yearly to select new plants for recognition. The **Chanticleer Foundation** provides financial support for the program and highlights Gold Medal plants at its Chanticleer Garden in Wayne, PA. Staff and members of the **Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association** help force plants for the Gold Medal exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show, donate plants, and share their expertise with Flower Show visitors.

Gold Medal plants are available at mail-order nurseries, as well as retail outlets throughout the Greater Philadelphia Region. For a complete list of Gold Medal plants, as well as a list of suppliers, please visit ***www.goldmedalplants.com.***

The award-winning plants for 2005 are:

Abies koreana (Korean Fir)

A loosely pyramidal evergreen tree identified by its short, plump needles, which are green on top with a silver-lined underside. Small dark violet cones, appearing in spring, mimic flowers at first glance. The Korean fir is more heat-tolerant than other *Abies*. Although useful as a screen, it deserves a more respectable position as a specimen or accent tree. It grows to 25 feet high x 10 feet wide in acid soil, and prefers full sun but will tolerate light shade. Hardy in Zones 5 to 7.

Calycanthus floridus 'Michael Lindsey' (Carolina Allspice)

A native deciduous shrub with neat, attractive foliage. Green in spring and summer, it turns a striking yellow in the fall. Distinct, very fragrant flowers bloom in May and June; the scent of fruit lures you to its reddish-brown, 2-inch flowers. With no serious pest or disease problems, Carolina allspice looks great as a specimen plant or in a shrub border. Adaptable to many soils and all light conditions. Grows to 7 feet high x 7 feet wide. Hardy in Zones 4 to 9.

Gelsemium sempervirens 'Margarita' (Carolina Jasmine)

This fine-textured evergreen vine has a twining growth habit and produces fragrant yellow trumpet-shaped flowers in late March into April. 'Margarita' grows almost anywhere; it is drought-tolerant, deer-resistant, and adapts to most soil types. This native will scramble up or cascade over obstacles, creating a mass of living color. Plant in sun or part-shade. Grows to 12 feet high x 6 feet wide. Hardy in zones 5b to 9.

Ilex verticillata 'Winter Gold' (Winterberry)

A welcome addition to the Gold Medal's deciduous holly collection, 'Winter Gold' is a branch sport of *Ilex verticillata* Winter Red®. It has jazzy orange-yellow berries from September through December. This native does best in the boggy shrub border. Use a male pollinator such as 'Southern Gentleman' or 'Apollo'. Grows to 7 feet in height and width in full or part-shade and moist, well-drained, acidic soils. Hardy in Zones 4 to 8.

TRAVEL WITH PHS IN 2005

English Garden Tour with Jane Pepper
June 5 – 16

Jane Pepper will lead a tour of English gardens in the lovely setting of the Cotswolds and South Midlands. Steeped in history and culture, this region is studded with beautiful gardens that offer a study in contrasts: large and small, urban and rural, traditional and modern. As always with PHS tours, the focus will also be on private gardens, including city gardens in Bristol and a variety of village gardens.

Gardens in Portland and Seattle
June 15 – 22

PHS will host a trip to the Pacific Northwest to visit gardens and nurseries in Portland and Seattle. June is a wonderful time to enjoy this national gardening mecca. Noted horticulturists from the region have helped select private gardens and notable public gardens, such as the Chinese Garden in Portland and the Bloedel Reserve in Seattle.

Lucy Hardamon, garden designer and contributor to *Horticulture* magazine, will lend her expertise during our visit to Portland. **Dan Hinkley** of Heronswood Nursery, a noted horticulturist familiar to Philadelphia-area audiences, will guide us in the Seattle area. **Betsy Gullan**, PHS membership manager, and **Jean Lenehan** of JL Tours will accompany the group.

Gardens of New Zealand
November 1 – 19

New Zealand has long been a popular destination for garden lovers from around the world because of its stunning landscape and the amazing variety of plants that thrive there. PHS members will once again have the opportunity to see the best of New Zealand gardens, on both the North and South Islands. In addition to a wealth of private gardens, we'll visit cities such as Auckland, Wellington, Queenstown, Christchurch, and Dunedin, as well as natural wonders of the Kauri forests, Southern Alps, and Milford Sound. We'll also experience the warm hospitality of New Zealanders in private homes.

Gordon Collier, known for his garden at Titoki Point and as the current garden editor of *New Zealand House and Garden* magazine, is helping to plan our trip. **Lynn Bublitz**, a former biology and horticulture teacher and current chairman of the Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust, will be our horticultural guide. **Betsy Gullan**, PHS membership manager, and **Jean Lenehan** of JL Tours will escort the group to New Zealand.

Itineraries will be mailed in late September. If you have traveled with PHS in the last four years, you will automatically receive a copy of each itinerary. If you are not on our trip list but would like to receive the itineraries, please contact Betsie Blodgett at *bblodgett@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8818.

FLOWER ARRANGING EVENTS WITH JUDITH BLACKLOCK AND ALAN BEATTY

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society welcomes **Judith Blacklock** and **Alan Beatty**, acclaimed British floral designers, who will jointly present a series of programs sure to inspire both beginning and experienced flower arrangers.

Judith Blacklock is the author of five best-selling books on floral arts. She runs the Judith Blacklock School in London; is editor of *The Flower Arranger*, a leading magazine for floral arts; and has created floral designs for Kensington Palace. Alan Beatty, from Northern Ireland, is a judge and demonstrator for Great Britain's National Association of Floral Arts Societies.

For more information about the content of these programs, contact Mary Jo Strawbridge at 610-664-5096 or *mj.strawbridge@verizon.net.*

Thursday, September 30

PHS Auditorium, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA

Demonstration: Flowers for Churches

1:30 – 3:30 pm

Judith Blacklock offers floral designs for the church arranger and covers containers, conditioning, proportion and scale in this interactive program. Space limited; register early. Fee: $55.

Friday, October 1

Philadelphia Cricket Club, 415 W. Willow Grove Ave., Philadelphia

Free parking

Demonstration: Flowers for Home and Entertaining

10 am – 12 noon

Alan Beatty focuses on fresh ideas for the home—from simple floral designs to brighten a space to more elaborate arrangements for entertaining. Fee: $55 open seating; $75 preferred seating (first 5 rows). Space limited; register early.

Workshop: Arranging with Berries and Fruits

1:30 – 3:30 pm

In this workshop, designed for more experienced flower arrangers, Judith Blacklock will focus on dramatic arrangements incorporating seasonal berries and fruits. Fee: $125. (Limit 20.)

Saturday, October 2

PHS Auditorium, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA

Workshop: Beginning and Intermediate Arranging

10 am – 12 noon

This workshop will stress basic arranging principles, style and techniques for the beginner and will help intermediate arrangers gain the confidence to experiment with new ideas. Fee: $125. (Limit 20.) Limited free parking on Saturday.

Registration

Please mail this form to Lisa Wiley, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103. Confirmations and additional instructions will be sent to participants. For more information, please call 215-988-8832.

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Address _____

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Thurs., 9/30, Demonstration: Flowers for Churches, PHS

_____ reservations @$55 = $_____

Fri., 10/1, Demonstration: Flowers for Home and Entertaining, Philadelphia Cricket Club

_____ reservations for open seating @$55 = $_____

_____ reservations for preferred seating @$75 = $_____

Fri., 10/1, Workshop: Arranging with Fruits and Berries, Philadelphia Cricket Club

_____ reservations @$125 = $_____

Note: Box lunches will be available for $15 for those attending the Friday afternoon workshop.

Box lunch: _____ vegetarian _____ non-vegetarian @$15 = $_____

Sat., 10/2, Workshop: Beginning and Intermediate Arranging, PHS

_____ reservations @$125 = $_____ **Total amount $**_____

Registering for two or more? Please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed. **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

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MCLEAN LIBRARY HAPPENINGS

Book Sale, October 6

The McLean Library Book Sale will be held on **Wednesday, October 6, 10 am to 5 pm**, in the library. Buy new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices.

Author chats and book signings will be held 12 noon to 1:30 pm. Featured this year are Art Wolk, Philadelphia Flower Show Grand Sweepstakes Award winner and author of *Garden Lunacy: A Growing Concern*, and Deborah Kogan Ray, author and illustrator of children's books, including the recently published *The Flower Hunter: William Bartram, America's First Naturalist.*

Book donations are welcome until September 24, 2004. For more information, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at 215-988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org.*

Library Book Club

Now in its fourth year, the McLean Library's **"Stories From the Garden"** discussion group reconvenes in October after a summer hiatus. Each month, we will read and discuss works of fiction or non-fiction having to do with gardens, plants, or the land. The group meets the **first Thursday evening of each month**, beginning October 7, from 5:45 to 7:45 pm in the library.

2004 – 2005 reading schedule:

October 7	Jane Austen, *Mansfield Park*
November 4	Voltaire, *Candide*
December 2	Virgil, *Georgics* (Kristina Chew translation)
January 6	Andrea Barrett, *Ship Fever* (selected stories)
February 3	James Howard Kunstler, *Geography of Nowhere*
April 7	Mike Dash, *Tulipomania*
May 5	Virginia Woolf, *Between the Acts*
June 2	John McPhee, *The Pine Barrens*

While discussions are free and open to all, we ask attendees to register by contacting the McLean Library at *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8782.

WORKSHOP SERIES

The following two series of workshops, one for city gardeners and one for suburban gardeners, are designed to provide you with the groundwork to create your personal outdoor paradise.

Each workshop is divided into three sessions. In the first session, the instructor will examine your conditions and encourage you to conceive of your property in new ways to better meet your needs. In the second session, you will learn about plants, how to measure your property and make a scale drawing, and how to conduct a basic site analysis, including determining light conditions, wind directions, soil type and sight lines. Finally, with the guidance of a professionally trained garden designer or landscape architect, you will work in small groups as you create your own garden design.

Tuesday Series: Designing Your Personal City Paradise

Three Tuesdays, October 12 and 19, 6:30 – 8:30 pm; October 26, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
PHS Auditorium

If you experience the challenges of city gardening, including poor soil, minimal light or minimal shade and water, or if you are surrounded by walls of varying degrees of aesthetic appeal, our Tuesday evening series, taught by **Michael LoFurno**, is for you. Limit: 30. **Fee: $175 members, $195 non-members.**

Michael LoFurno is a registered landscape architect who has received awards from the National Council of Garden Clubs, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and the American Society of Landscape Architects.

Thursday Series: Transforming Your Back Yard into an Outdoor Living Space

Three Thursdays: October 28 and November 4, 6:30 – 8:30 pm; November 11, 6:30 – 9:30 pm
PHS Auditorium

Transform your suburban property into the living space you desire. Make the most of architectural structures, such as patios and swimming pools. This series is taught by **Stephanie Cohen**. Limit: 30. **Fee: $175 members, $195 non-members.**

Stephanie Cohen has taught at Temple University, Ambler Campus for more than 20 years and is currently director of the Landscape Arboretum there. She is a contributing editor for *Fine Gardening* magazine and has appeared on QVC TV as the "Perennial Diva."

Please note: These programs are co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.sas.upenn.edu/CGS*.

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

TREES AND SHRUBS OF FALL

Tuesday, September 21, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Grounds manager **Peter Brindle** will guide us around Chanticleer to admire a wealth of woody plants that reach their peak in fall. Many natives of the Eastern forest will be in their glory then, joined by exotics from other temperate lands. Brindle will focus on using these plants in the home landscape. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

LATE-SEASON EBULLIENCE

Thursday, September 30, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Autumn is a mellow time when we think of putting the garden to rest and harvesting all we've sown. But there are some fabulous plants that come into their own for the late season, like the grand finale of a fine fireworks display. Chanticleer horticulturist **Joe Henderson** will explore plants that look good to the very end. Limit: 25. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays, October 5, 12, 19, & 26; November 2, 9, 16, & 23, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS Classroom

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor and have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality, this is the class for you! This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include mixing the colors of nature, making a color journal, exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of brushes and paper. *It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series.* A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome! Limit: 15. **Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members.**

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America.

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
MEADOWBROOK, PA

DEMONSTRATION: WINTER HOUSEPLANT CARE

Thursday, October 14, 10 am – 12 noon

The season for relaxing in your garden outdoors may be ending, but how can you part with those container plants that still look so robust? This talk by **Virginia Page** will provide you with tips on bringing houseplants back into the home, including simple pruning, propagation, and pest management to keep your indoor garden thriving throughout the winter. Bring your troubled plants for plant doctoring. A starter houseplant will be provided. Limit: 20. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

WALK: GARDEN WORK IN FALL

Wednesday, October 27, 10 am – 12 noon

Many people see the cooler temperatures and shorter days of fall as a time when the garden dies back and the only job left is raking leaves. But this is the ideal time of the year to tackle garden tasks such as cutting back, dividing and transplanting perennials, pruning trees and shrubs, planting pansies, mums, and asters, and cleaning and preparing beds for spring. This is also a good time to think ahead to future designs and to plant. Horticulturist **Bill Thaller** will be our guide. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

BASIC FLOWER ARRANGING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, November 10, 10 am - 12 noon

Designed for the beginner who wants to create eye-catching floral arrangements from seasonal materials, this workshop, presented by **Valerie McNichols**, will cover everything from selecting flowers to mixing colors to arranging them in a simple container. Fee includes flowers, greens and container. Please bring your favorite snippers and gloves. Limit: 20. **Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

Since 1992, Valerie McNichols has worked for Kremp Florist as a floral designer, branch store manager, wedding consultant and special-events coordinator. Her work has been featured in *Philadelphia Elegant Wedding*, *The Knot*, and *Philadelphia Style* magazines. She currently has a guest spot on CN8's "Your Morning" show, where she talks about floral arrangements, party themes, bridal designs and home decorating.

IN THE GARDEN

EDGEWOOD FALL EXTRAVAGANZA

Saturday, October 16, 10 am – 12 noon
Exton, PA

The exquisite garden of consummate plantsman **John Lonsdale** features a treasure trove of unusual bulbs in spring and fall. In October we can expect many varieties of cyclamen and fall crocus, and there will be a great selection of cyclamen for sale.

A native of Sheffield, England, John Lonsdale's interest in plants began with alpines. He moved to the USA in 1995, and his Exton garden has matured since then with the addition of many choice plants, including numerous trees and shrubs. An avid propagator, John sows some 450 pots of seed each year, mainly from bulbs. He is an active

member of a number of horticultural groups and publishes and lectures widely. Limit: 25. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

FALL AND WINTER BIRDS OF THE CITY AND SUBURBAN GARDEN

Tuesday, October 19, 10 am – 12 noon
The Philadelphia Zoo

Birds add color, motion and music to your garden; invite them in! Join **Dr. Aliza Baltz**, curator of birds at the Philadelphia Zoo and **Marty Kromer**, curator of horticulture, for a presentation on the fall and winter birds of city and suburban gardens. Beginning indoors, Aliza will discuss birds that might migrate through your garden and those that might stay on for the winter. Then we will tour the Zoo where Marty will recommend plants that provide the best bird habitat and food sources to help you create your own bird sanctuary. Registration includes Zoo admission and parking. Limit: 20. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

THE JAPANESE GARDEN: BASIC DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Saturday, October 23, 1 – 3 pm
Shofuso Japanese House and Garden, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia

This program showcases the garden at the Shofuso Japanese House in Fairmount Park, where garden director **Ian Simpkins** will discuss some basic principles of Japanese gardening that you can adapt to your own garden. We will learn how to use forced perspective, texture and placement to create a peaceful oasis. Ian will also cover the development of Japanese gardens, basic horticultural techniques, plants, and gardening methods unique to the Japanese garden. Limit: 20. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Ian Simpkins became Shofuso's first full-time garden director in 2002. He studied with the late JC Raulston and has worked at the JC Raulston Arboretum, as well as Scott Arboretum, Tyler Arboretum, and Riverbanks in South Carolina.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

0Program	Date	Member/non-member	No. of persons	Cost
☐ Tree and Shrubs of Fall	9/21	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Late-Season Ebullience	9/30	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Botanical Illustration with Watercolor	10/5	Fee: $215/$230	_____	_____
☐ Winter Houseplant Care	10/14	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Work in Fall	10/27	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Basic Flower-Arranging Workshop	11/10	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Edgewood Fall Extravaganza	10/16	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Fall and Winter Birds	10/19	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ The Japanese Garden	10/23	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
		TOTAL:		$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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email: _____

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Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

2004 PERENNIALS CONFERENCE

Friday, October 15, 9 am – 4 pm
Lang Performing Arts Center
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

Get a preview of new plant introductions and enjoy lectures on a variety of topics, including the relationship between gardening and ecology, easy-to-grow bog plants, and Delaware's program to beautify its highways. Speakers include **Susan Barton**, extension specialist in the plant and soil sciences department at the University of Delaware; **Stephanie Cohen**, director of the Landscape Arboretum at Temple University's Ambler campus; **Peter Del Tredici**, senior research scientist at the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University; **Frank Galloway**, horticulturist and carnivorous-plant enthusiast; **Gordon Hayward**, nationally recognized garden designer, writer and lecturer; and **Graham Rice**, British plantsman and author of 23 books.

For information, please contact the Continuing Education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000, ext. 507, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm. You can also pick up a brochure at PHS headquarters. Register Early!

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

THANKS TO OUR 2004 GARDEN VISIT HOSTS

PHS extends its thanks to the generous property owners who opened their gardens to PHS members for this year's Spring Garden Visits. Many thanks, too, to all the volunteers who help make this program possible, especially the Garden Visit Committee: Sally Graham (Chair), Anna Marie Amey, Alice Doering, Kate Farrell, and Alan Slack.

Sunday, May 16, Ambler, PA

Andrea Baldeck and Bill Hollis
Beatrice and Robert Bast
Jenny Rose and Gus Carey
Cynthia and Morris Cheston
Phoebe and Lee Driscoll
The Highlands

Sunday, June 6, Haverford, PA

Kathy and Alan Bleznak
Cheryl and Cliffe Cheston
Betsy and Kevin Donohoe
Louise and Harry Hill
Gretchen and Jay Riley
Lorraine and Peter Wallace

Sunday, June 20, Brandywine Valley, PA

Amy and Ed Borer
Dolly and John Fisher
Wayne and Doris Guymon
Alice and Rodman Moorhead
Sir John Thouron
Diana and Bill Wister

MEMBERS' DAY DRIVING DIRECTIONS

At the Naval Business Center: After entering the Main Gate, continue on Broad Street for about two blocks to the Parade Ground on your left. Look for signs. Parking across from the Parade Ground is free.

From points north of Philadelphia or from NJ using the Ben Franklin Bridge (I-676) or the Walt Whitman Bridge (I-76): Take I-95 South to Exit 17 (Broad Street). Turn left onto Broad. Enter Main Gate at Naval Business Center.

From points south of Philadelphia and from NJ using the Commodore Barry Bridge (Rt. 322): Take I-95 North to Exit 17 (Broad St.). Turn left at first light at bottom of ramp (Zinkoff Blvd.). Make another left onto Broad St. and stay to the right-hand side. Enter Main Gate at Naval Business Center.

From points west of Philadelphia or the PA Turnpike (Exit #24, Valley Forge): Take the Schuylkill Expressway (I-76) to Broad Street Exit. Take Broad Street South to Main Gate at the Naval Business Center.

From Blue Route (I-476): Take I-476 to I-95 North to Exit 17 (Broad Street). Turn left at first light at bottom of ramp (Zinkoff Blvd.). Make another left onto Broad Street and stay to the right-hand side. Enter Main Gate at Naval Business Center.

From Center City: Take Broad Street South to Main Gate at Naval Business Center.

Public Transportation: Take the # 17 bus marked Navy Yard or Naval Business Center. On Saturdays, #17 buses for the Naval Business Center leave from Center City (Front and Market, 6th and Market, 15th and JFK, 19th and Walnut,) once per hour. Please check with SEPTA for bus times (215-580-7800 or online at *www.septa.org*).

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THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

At the end of each year, we celebrate the contributions of thousands of volunteers who help the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society fulfill its mission of creating a sense of community through horticulture. All year long, volunteers are donating their time to serve on committees, direct visitors at the Flower Show, staff the "Ask-a-Gardener" hotline, provide activities at Kids Grow Expo, carry out the work of Philadelphia Green, and fill many other roles.

We invite you to visit the "Latest News" section of the PHS website to view a complete list of all those who served on PHS committees during 2004. From all of us at PHS, our heartfelt thanks!

John Gannon

Pete Prown

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HOLIDAY GIFTS GALORE AT MEADOWBROOK FARM

This holiday season, **Meadowbrook Farm** in **Abington, PA** is stocking its garden shop with gifts and goodies galore, **all at a discount to PHS members**. Says retail manager Virginia Page-Hentschel, "We're really going all out this year with the decorations. The gift shop and even the greenhouse will be dressed up with ornaments for the holidays." Among the new sale items this year, she notes, are decorative wreaths and seasonal flower arrangements, as well as poinsettias, cyclamen, and many other holiday plants.

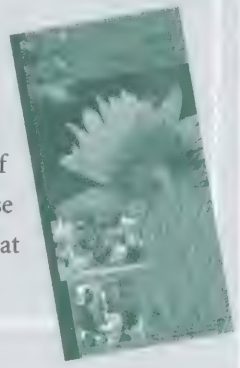
Of special note is the **Open House** on **Saturday, December 4th** from 11 am to 4 pm. Among the festivities will be a wreath-making demonstration; door prizes; a raffle for a full set of Meadowbrook Farm tiles, signed by the artist; and, for the kids, a special craft project. There will even be a plant giveaway.

So be sure to put Meadowbrook Farm on your holiday circuit this season. You will find wondrous gifts for everyone on your holiday list! (It will be open during the day on December 24.)

Meadowbrook Farm is located at 1633 Washington Lane in Abington, PA. Their phone number is 215-887-5900, and you can get directions and more information online at *www.meadowbrook-farm.com.*

PHS ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

The PHS Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2004 is now available on our website. Just visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* and click on "Latest News" to read a summary of last year's accomplishments, including the 2004 Flower Show and the work of Philadelphia Green. if you'd like a printed copy, please call the publications office at 215-988-8768.



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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Update on Meadowbrook Farm

You may have read in previous editions of *PHS News* that Liddon Pennock left Meadowbrook Farm, including the greenhouses, the house and its contents, to PHS when he died last year. The greenhouses continue to play an important horticultural role in the Delaware Valley by offering a selection of specialty plants for retail sale, as well as by "forcing" thousands of plants into bloom in time for the Philadelphia Flower Show.

A challenge for PHS, going forward, is to maintain the house at Meadowbrook Farm so it can represent Liddon's style and continue to give pleasure to PHS members and to the groups that take spring and fall tours of the property. Also important is that PHS address deferred maintenance. As anyone who lives in an old house knows, there always seems to be a heater to be replaced, wiring to be updated or furniture to be repaired.

In an earlier Pepperpot column, I noted that we had formed a Meadowbrook Committee to guide staff on issues concerning Meadowbrook Farm. As part of its deliberations, the Committee decided to refurbish the second floor of the house for use as staff offices. The goal for the first floor is to keep the furniture and accessories that reflect Liddon's spirit, without having PHS overburdened with curatorial responsibilities. As Liddon's lawyer has explained to me, "It was never Liddon's intention to turn the house into a museum."

To achieve these goals, over the summer we worked with Pook & Pook, Inc., auctioneers and appraisers, to select items that will remain in the house and those that will be sold at auction. Decorative items will be sold at the **"variety" auction on January 14 and 15 at Pook & Pook, 463 East Lancaster Avenue in Downingtown, beginning at 10 am.** Proceeds from this sale and another sale that took place in October will be added to the endowment Liddon left to PHS to maintain and operate Meadowbrook Farm.

If you would like more information on this auction, please contact Pook & Pook at 610-269-0695 or visit their website at *www.pookandpook.com.*

News about plant sales and special activities for members at Meadowbrook Farm will continue to be listed in the *PHS News* and on our website.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

ANNUAL MEETING

Tuesday, November 9

Please join us for the PHS Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, November 9 at 5 pm at PHS headquarters**, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. We will elect new members of Council, take up other committee business, and celebrate the recipients of the PHS Annual Awards (published in the April issue of *PHS News*).

At its June 23rd meeting, the Council approved the nomination of the following members for re-election to second three-year terms: John K. Ball, David P. Hollander, Midge Ingersoll, Barbara J. Kaplan, John J. Kiely, Ann L. Reed, Henry F. Reichner, and Mark C. Ward.

In addition, the Nominating Committee will place in nomination for three-year terms the following persons who are not currently members of Council.

Iris Brown is a longtime employee of the Norris Square Neighborhood Project, where she usually can be found in the thriving, colorful gardens she helped create in that community. Iris chairs the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board.

Rebecca S. Campbell is president and general manager of WPVI-TV. She sits on the boards of the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce, the Philadelphia Convention and Visitors Bureau, Variety Club of Philadelphia, and the Police Athletic League. Rebecca serves on the Flower Show Executive Committee.

Robert B. Jefferson is chief financial officer of ACE INA in Philadelphia. Bob is a board member of the Arts & Business Council of Greater Philadelphia and serves on the PHS Finance Committee.

Richard F. Meischeid is a managing principal with responsibility for directing Towers Perrin's compensation practice in the company's eastern region. A former graduate teaching assistant at the Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Richard is a founding member of the school's Entrepreneurial Center. Richard serves on the PHS Human Resources Committee.

Steve Mostardi is vice president and general manager of Mostardi Nursery, a retail garden center in Newtown Square, PA. He serves on Gold Medal Plant Award Committee and is a board member of the Newtown Square Business and Professional Association.

Robert Q. Reilly is executive vice president and deputy manager of PNC Advisors, Trust Services and Wealth Management division. Rob serves on the board of directors of the Delaware Valley Community Reinvestment Fund Venture Investment Committee and the PNC Bank Community Partners, Inc. He is a member of the PHS Finance Committee.

Kenneth G. Wood is senior vice president and credit products officer at the Bank of America, NA. Ken is a member of the PHS Meadowbrook and Finance committees.

★ ★ ★ *Please return your signed proxy, we need your vote!* ★ ★ ★

PROXY FORM

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Annual Meeting of Members, November 9, 2004

The undersigned hereby appoints Anne B. Kellett, Sally N. Graham, and Jane G. Pepper, each of them the true and lawful attorneys of said member, with full power of substitution to vote at the Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, to be held at 5 pm on Tuesday, November 9, 2004, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present:

1. For the election of Council Members, all adult members of household should sign.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

All adult members of household should sign:

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Please return no later than November 5, 2004.
Mail to: PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103. Fax to: 215-988-8810.

GREEN CITY STRATEGY

PHS Receives a Second City Contract for Greening

Greening works! That's the message of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's Green City Strategy, which is helping to make dramatic improvements in neighborhoods and downtown locations throughout Philadelphia. In the past year, hundreds of tons of debris have been removed from vacant lots, creating "clean & green" spaces where crumbling, abandoned buildings once stood, and residents are coming together to help transform their environment.

With a one-year contract from the city as part of Mayor John Street's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, PHS, through its Philadelphia Green program, carried out a variety of projects designed to demonstrate the powerful impact of greening.

Highlights of the 2003-04 accomplishments include:

- **Stabilization** of nearly 1,300 parcels of derelict vacant land (about one-third more than the initial goal).
- Development of a successful program for **community-based maintenance** that employs local residents.
- **Landscape improvements** along high-profile community corridors.
- Enhancement projects at new and existing **community gardens** and **neighborhood parks**.
- Completion of **garden blocks**, where plants and sidewalk containers were distributed to nearly 900 residents.
- Creation of a new "City Gardening Series" of **free lectures** and **workshops** held at community locations through the city.

As the city moves forward with its Neighborhood Transformation Initiative (NTI), it has awarded a second contract to PHS for Fiscal Year 2005 to continue this important work in selected neighborhoods. The plan for the second year will build on the successes of the first 12 months and add new approaches that will further improve the fabric of Philadelphia's neighborhoods. The second-year effort focuses on *land management, maintenance,* and *promotional events and activities.*

"An ambitious, citywide effort like the Green City Strategy cannot succeed without the backing of Philadelphia's political, business, and community leaders." notes Blaine Bonham, executive vice president of PHS. "Community involvement also is essential, not only to carry out some of the physical work of transforming the city, but also to send a message to city officials that residents consider green space important."

Walnut Street pedestrian bridge (Front and Walnut Streets).

John Gannon

PHS HOSTS CONFERENCE ON URBAN TREES

Where the Roots Hit the Curb:
Urban Tree Planting - Towards Best Practices
Friday, November 5, 2004, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm
Open to the public, members and professionals

PHS, in conjunction with the City Parks Association, Penn State Urban and Community Forestry Program, Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, and TreeVitalize, will present a one-day conference on urban trees. The conference will be held at the Franklin Institute, 20th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia.

National experts will discuss ways to reduce the conflict between city trees and urban infrastructure. Speakers include **James Urban**, noted landscape architect; urban tree advocate **Larry Costello**, of UC Davis; and **Nina Bassuk**, of the Urban Horticulture Institute at Cornell. Local practitioners will raise issues encountered in their work and share success stories. Participants will be encouraged to ask questions, discuss problems, and share their own stories from the field.

Advance registration is required. The fee is $75 per person, including continental breakfast and buffet lunch ($85 at the door); scholarships are available. (Interested exhibitors may contact *mahunter@comcast.net* or 215-485-0509.)

For more information, please contact Mindy Maslin at *treetenders@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8844.

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The City Gardening Series will present several workshops during the months of November and December, held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and at other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming workshops, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.*

2004 City Gardens Contest First-Place Individual Winners

Following are the first-place winners in the individual categories of the PHS City Gardens Contest. A complete list of all winners is available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. Congratulations to all who entered!

Photographs of all the winning gardens will be on display at the **Shops at Liberty Place**, 16th and Chestnut Streets, in Center City Philadelphia. The exhibit will be shown in the main rotunda, from **November 8 through 10**. Don't miss it!

Suzanne Wheeling

Left: Jeff Harrison

Right: The garden of Alexander Myers

Individual Children's Gardens

Aimon Flaherty

Individual Container Gardens

Sheila Kessler
Joseph F. Lipscomb
Cynthia Matthews
Richard Rutherford
Michael Sparano & Rocco Giancaterino

Individual Vegetable Gardens

Nicola D'Alessio
Lawrence King
Eva Sanders
Domenico Scicchitano

Individual Combination Vegetable/Flower Gardens

Deborah Brooks
Elvira Gibson
Diane Kunze & John Neugebauer
Toney Lucas
George L. Spaeth

Individual Flower Gardens

Tony & Jenny Aiello
Lenora Berson
Gail Chapman
Victoria H. Fox
Jeff Harrison
Lynne Huckaby
Alexander Myers
William Peterson
Wolfram Petner
George E. Price
Michael Schultz & Brian Davidson
Rosemary Tilli
Barbara Truman
Cornie & John Walton

2004 PHS Suburban Greening Award

Congratulations to the recipients of the 2004 Suburban Greening Award, which recognizes outstanding public-space plantings in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Delaware. Congratulations, too, to the winners of the new Suburban Greening Maintenance Award, established this year, for ongoing care of sites recognized in the past. At the awards ceremony, held at PHS on September 26, all winners received framed certificates and signs to display in their gardens.

Suburban Greening Awards

The Spirit of America Park, Ridley Park, PA
Kennett Square Traffic Triangle, Kennett Square, PA
Byers' Choice, Chalfont, PA
William Jeanes Memorial Library, Lafayette Hill, PA
Hilltown Township Water & Sewer Authority, Sellersville, PA
Pinelands Preservation Alliance, Medford NJ
Richardson House Community Grounds, Langhorne, PA
Silver Lake Nature Center, Bristol, PA
Shady Maple Restaurant, East Earl, PA
St. Gabriel's Hall, Mitchell Program Audubon, PA
McKinley Elementary School Garden, Elkins Park, PA
Fountain Square, Mount Holly, NJ
High School Park, Elkins Park, PA
Moland House Farm, Washington's Headquarters, Jamison, PA
Office of Dr. Ruth Margolis, Dresher, PA

Suburban Greening Maintenance Awards

North Ardmore Train Station, Ardmore, PA
Bala Cynwyd Library, Bala Cynwyd, PA
Cynwyd Train Station, Bala Cynwyd, PA
Bridgepoint Park, Doylestown, PA
Bryn Mawr Community Park Garden, Bryn Mawr, PA
Community Club of Collegeville, Collegeville, PA
Demonstration Garden, Penn State Master Gardeners of Berks County, Leesport, PA
Hatfield Electric Plant Park, Hatfield, PA
Hatfield Township Gateway Project, Hatfield, PA
Haverford Square Shopping Area, Haverford, PA
Hereford Inlet Lighthouse & Garden, North Wildwood, NJ
Karen's K-9 Care, Frazer, PA
Macungie Flower Park, Macungie, PA
Marple Township Beautification Committee, Broomall, PA
Meadowbrook Bird Sanctuary, Jenkintown, PA
Narberth War Memorial Garden, Narberth, PA
Peddler's Village, Lahaska, PA
Radnor Hotel, St. Davids, PA
Reading Public Museum Friendship Garden, Reading, PA
Sesame Place, Langhorne, PA
St. John Bosco Church, Hatboro, PA
St. Mary's Hall/Doane Academy, Burlington, NJ
Tamanend Park, Southampton, PA
The Inn at Montchanin Village, Montchanin, DE
Triangle Traffic Island at Old Huntingdon Pike & Cedar Road, Huntingdon Valley, PA
Trinity Church, Moorestown, NJ
"Old" Roberts School, Wayne, PA

Kennett Square Traffic Triangle

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Renewals

The months leading up to the Philadelphia Flower Show—December, January, and February—are the busiest months for PHS membership renewals. **The best way to make sure you receive your 2005 Flower Show tickets is to renew your membership before the end of December.** It is easy to renew online at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. Try it this year, any time of day or night. Of course, you can still renew by mail or phone (215-988-8832). Thank you for renewing early!

Shopping Discount Program

The Shopping Discount Program is an increasingly popular benefit among PHS members. Thirty-six generous merchants have agreed to offer a year-round discount to our members (usually 10%). Members should present their membership cards to participating merchants BEFORE sales are rung on the cash register; otherwise, merchants are not obligated to honor discounts. The complete list of participating vendors appears on our website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. To receive a printed copy, call 215-988-8778 or x 8832.

Holiday Shopping Events

Smith & Hawken Day,
Sunday, November 14

This is a wonderful opportunity to start your holiday shopping. Smith & Hawken will offer a special shopping day for PHS members, with a 20% discount on merchandise in all S & H stores. Simply present your membership card—or the S & H postcard with your name on it—for the one-day shopping discount. Membership representatives will greet you at the Bryn Mawr and King of Prussia stores. If you patronize a Smith & Hawken store in another area or state, the discount is still in effect; simply present your membership identification. **This is for one day only, Sunday, November 14. Catalog orders are not included.** Sunday store hours vary; please call your favorite location for hours.

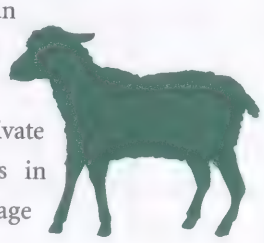
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries
Tuesday, December 7, 4 – 8 pm

PHS members are invited to a four-hour special holiday shopping event at Styer Nurseries, 914 Baltimore Pike, in Concordville, PA. Members will receive a 25% discount on all merchandise, light refreshments will be served, and membership representatives will be there to greet you. Simply present your membership card to receive the PHS discount—**only from 4 – 8 pm on Tuesday, December 7**. Bring a friend and enjoy an incredible selection of poinsettias, wreaths, greens, trees, ornaments galore, gardening tools, pots, and gifts for every type of gardener.

TRAVEL WITH PHS IN 2005

English Garden Tour with Jane Pepper
June 5 – 16

Jane Pepper, PHS president, will lead a tour of English gardens in the lovely setting of the Cotswolds and Severn Valley. Steeped in history and culture, this region is studded with beautiful gardens that offer a study in contrasts: large and small, urban and rural, traditional and modern. As always with PHS tours, the focus will also be on private gardens, including city gardens in Bristol and a variety of village gardens.



Gardens in Seattle and Portland
June 15 – 22

PHS will host a trip to the Pacific Northwest to visit gardens and nurseries in Seattle and Portland. June is a wonderful time to enjoy this national gardening mecca. Noted horticulturists from the region have helped select private gardens and notable public gardens, such as the Chinese Garden in Portland and the Bloedel Reserve near Seattle. We'll also visit Heronswood Nursery for a guided tour of this well-known display garden.

Bob Lilly, of the Northwest Perennial Alliance, will be our guide in Seattle, and **Sara Grogan Mauritz**, a Swarthmore native who now lives in Portland, will spend a day with us there. **Betsy Gullan**, PHS membership manager, and **Jean Lenehan** of JL Tours will accompany the group.

Pete Prown

The Bloedel Reserve

Gardens of New Zealand
November 1 – 19

New Zealand has long been a popular destination for garden lovers from around the world because of its stunning landscape and the amazing variety of plants that thrive there. PHS members will once again have the opportunity to see the best of New Zealand gardens on both the North and South Islands. In addition to a wealth of private gardens, we'll visit cities such as Auckland, Wellington, Queenstown, Christchurch, and Dunedin, as well as natural wonders of the Kauri forests, Southern Alps, and Milford Sound. We'll also experience the warm hospitality of New Zealanders in private homes.

Gordon Collier, known for his garden at Titoki Point and as the current garden editor of *New Zealand House and Garden* magazine, is helping to plan our trip. **Lynn Bublitz**, a former biology and horticulture teacher and current chairman of the Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust, will be our horticultural guide. Both have suggested new gardens and areas we have not visited before. **Betsy Gullan**, PHS membership manager, and **Jean Lenehan** of JL Tours will escort the group to New Zealand.

If you would like to receive an itinerary for any trip, please contact Betsie Blodgett at *bblodgett@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8818.

MCLEAN LIBRARY UPDATES SPEAKERS LIST

The McLean Library is updating its list of speakers on gardening and related topics. This list is available to PHS members, local gardening clubs and the public. Copies will be available in January, 2005. If you are a horticulturist who lives in the Mid-Atlantic region and if you would like to be included on the 2005 list, please contact Josie Miller, *jmiller@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8772 for a questionnaire.

WE GOOFED

Our sincere apologies to **Ed MacFarland**, whose name was misspelled in the "Spotlight" column in the September/October issue of *PHS News*. Thanks again, Ed, for all you do for PHS.

*Correction to the 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show **Exhibitor's Guide***

Please disregard the following statement wherever it appears in the horticulture section of the *Exhibitor's Guide*:

> "Unless otherwise noted, bulbs may be entered only in bulb classes. Exceptions: *Agapanthus, Calla, Clivia, Zantedeschia*."

However, please note that no bulbs may be entered in classes 4740 and 4750 or where otherwise stated in the class description.

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor two multi-session courses: **Botany of Food Plants** and **Plant Exploration in Early America: Gardens, Herbaria and Art**, this winter and early spring. These courses are free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. To register, please call 215-763-6529, ext. 23. Registration begins on Monday, November 15.

Botany of Food Plants

Tuesday, January 18 and five Mondays, January 24 – February 21, 6:30 pm
(Please note the first class is Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday)
PHS Auditorium

Presented by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, this course will focus on some of the plants that are most important to people. Humans have been genetically altering plants ever since agriculture began, and we'll first discuss how certain important food plants have changed since they were first domesticated. The course will finish with a discussion of genetic engineering methods currently being applied to food plants.

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

Plant Exploration in Early America: Gardens, Herbaria and Art

Four Mondays, March 28 – April 18, 6:30 pm
There also will be two field trips following these sessions.
PHS Auditorium

From the late 17th century to the late 19th century, new plant discoveries in North America attracted the attention of botanists and horticulturists in Europe and America. Famous artists drew many of the new American plant species in the wild or transplanted them into gardens. The authors of classic works in natural history used both artistic portrayal and dried herbarium specimens to name and describe the new species. **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler** will discuss the links among explorers, gardeners, artists and authors during the golden age of botany.

Dr. Alfred E. (Ernie) Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences, where he has worked since 1962. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

HOW TO ENTER YOUR FAVORITE PLANTS IN THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Tuesday, November 16, 12 noon - 1 pm
PHS Auditorium

This program is designed for the novice and will remove any trace of mystery about how to enter your plants in the Horticulture Classes at the Flower Show. A distinguished panel of committee members for the Flower Show, **Peter Brindle**, **Mary Ann Thomas**, and **Joe Marano**, will guide you through the process, from filling out the pre-registration forms to final grooming of your plant at the Show. Feel free to bring your plants for grooming suggestions. **FREE.** Registration required.

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
MEADOWBROOK, PA

BASIC FLOWER ARRANGING WORKSHOP

Wednesday, November 10, 10 am - 12 noon

Designed for the beginner who wants to create eye-catching floral arrangements from seasonal materials, this workshop, presented by **Valerie McNichols**, will cover everything from selecting flowers to mixing colors to arranging them in a simple container. Fee includes flowers, greens and container. Please bring your favorite snippers and gloves. Limit: 20. **Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

Since 1992, Valerie McNichols has worked for Kremp Florist as a floral designer, branch store manager, wedding consultant and special-events coordinator. Her work has been featured in *Philadelphia Elegant Wedding*, *The Knot*, and *Philadelphia Style* magazines. She currently has a guest spot on CN8's "Your Morning" show, where she talks about floral arrangements, party themes, bridal designs and home decorating.

MAKING A WILLIAMSBURG WREATH

Wednesday, December 1, 10 am – 12 noon

Bring the elegance of Colonial Williamsburg into your home this holiday season by creating your own holiday fruit wreath in this workshop. **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will give simple, step-by-step instructions on how to compose a delightful collection of artificial fruit, coupled with glossy green magnolia leaves and assembled onto a fresh balsam wreath. Limit: 20. **Fee: $60 members, $65 non-members.**

Longwood Gardens

WOODY PLANT PROPAGATION: CONIFERS

Thursday, December 2, 10 am - 12 noon

This program is one in a series of propagation workshops we will offer during the year. You'll learn how to increase the number of your favorite plants to expand your garden, share with friends, or donate to other PHS members at our Annual Plant Dividend in September.

In this workshop you will learn easy, sure-fire ways to propagate conifers at the proper time of the year. Experienced propagator **Alan Slack** will demonstrate simple methods and offer tips and hints to ensure success. Participants will make and start cuttings to take home. If you would like to propagate a favorite conifer, please bring a few freshly cut branches (no spruce, fir, or pines) of the current year's growth. All equipment and supplies will be provided. Limit 20. **Fee: $25 members, $30 non-members.**

CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Saturday, January 8 and April 16, 10 am – 12 noon

A trough garden resembles a miniature world, with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space small enough to fit on your patio. In the January session of this two-part workshop, you will create the trough using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form under the guidance of rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**. The

trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In April, you will plant your trough with sun-loving miniature perennials and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of your hand-made container. Limit: 15. **Fee: $110 members, $120 non-members.**

Shot at Ann Rosenberg's Garden.

Terrarium Award winner at the Flower Show.

GLASS-BOWL TERRARIUM

Wednesday, January 19, 10 am – 12 noon

What better time than the depths of winter to brighten your home with a lushly green, miniature world under glass? Meadowbrook horticulturist and frequent Flower Show award winner **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will demonstrate the planting and caring for special types of begonias and ferns in glass bowls. You will plant your own eight-inch glass bowl with your choice of either a begonia or fern. Soil, fertilizing and disease control will be covered, and all materials are included. Limit: 20. **Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Wednesday, January 20 (Snow Date: January 27), 10 am – 12 noon

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will lead this walk, discussing aspects of winter interest in the garden, with a particular focus on trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter finery, including a woodland path and the scenery around the late Mr. Liddon Pennock's estate. Limit 25. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ How to Enter Your Favorite Plants	11/16	FREE	_____	_____
☐ Basic Flower-Arranging Workshop	11/10	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Make a Williamsburg Wreath	12/1	Fee: $60$65	_____	_____
☐ Woody Plant Propagation	12/2	Fee: $25/$30	_____	_____
☐ Create and Plant Your Own Trough Garden	1/8, 4/16	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Glass-Bowl Terrarium	1/19	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/20	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	$_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____

(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed. **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

Name as it appears on credit card: _____

Card Number _____ Expiration: _____

Signature: _____

Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10

Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495

You may also register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2005 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from **March 6 – 13, 2005**. If you would like to help, please check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

☐ **Exhibitor Aides**: Help exhibitors transport plants from D-Hall to freight elevator and to entry area. Entry-level job.

☐ **Runner**: Carry cards for corrections to and from typing table. Entry-level job.

☐ **Recorder**: Log information on plant entries. Attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure are required.

☐ **Clerk**: Accompany horticulture or design judging teams; record judges' decisions and place award ribbons.

☐ **Infonet**: Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or staff an information booth.

☐ **PHS Shoppe**: Cashiers needed to ring sales on cash register, charge on credit card machine, and give change with a smile! (*Retail experience a plus.*)

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (daytime)_____Email _____

To sign up, **please return this coupon by December 1, 2004** to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495; or contact Betty at 215-988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org*. We will then contact you with more information.

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2005 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW: "AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL" *March 6 – 13, 2005*

The original, hand-forged White House gates, which welcomed US presidents through two centuries and are on loan from the American Horticultural Society, will usher visitors into an American gardening journey at the 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show, "America the Beautiful." The Show, produced by PHS with major support from presenting sponsor **PNC Bank**, will be held March 6 through 13 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center.

This year's **Central Feature** exhibits celebrate the many facets of American gardening. In "Country Casual & City Chic," designed by **Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc.**, Show guests come upon a country lane, where an old-fashioned cottage garden surrounding a rustic farmhouse conjures memories of the past. A suburban outdoor living area provides a pleasurable view along with practical ideas for outdoor entertaining and recreation. The next display celebrates the exciting possibilities of urban gardening, from window boxes and sidewalk planters to chic terraces and rooftop dining.

Bartlett Tree Experts will sponsor "Tree House, USA" in conjunction with the National Arbor Day Foundation. At first glance, a stately stand of trees surrounded by a meadow of colorful wildflowers appears. But as viewers explore further, they will encounter secluded tree houses, where they will be swept up into the canopy to discover the true grandeur of trees.

Philadelphia Flower Show
March 6 – 13, 2005

Pennsylvania Convention Center
12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia

www.theflowershow.com

Members' Preview: Saturday, March 5

General Admission
Adults: $26 on Opening Sunday (March 6), $24 weekends and $22 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $12 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $20
Group tickets (20 or more people): $19.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8899 (recorded information).

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

Finally, the **Washington National Cathedral** returns to the Philadelphia Flower Show with "For All Occasions." The talented arrangers of the Cathedral's Flower Guild will create floral and plant designs like those created for the many celebrations that occur at the nation's cathedral.

New to this year's Flower Show is the **PNC People's Choice Pavilion**, created in partnership with PNC Bank. Located on the Main Show Floor near the PHS membership booth, the pavilion invites visitors to cast their votes for their best-loved gardening items, from single flowers to favorite trees. And during the Members' Preview, on March 5, members can vote for their favorite exhibit. As an extra bonus, everyone who votes will get the chance to win exciting prizes.

The Show will also include many familiar attractions that bring people back year after year. More than 50 landscape, floral, educational, and nonprofit organizations will compete for the coveted "Best in Show" award in various categories. PHS will present side-by-side exhibits highlighting the work of its **Philadelphia Green** program, the nation's most comprehensive urban-greening effort, as well as the **Gold Medal Plant Award** Program, which promotes exceptional plants for the Mid-Atlantic region.

In the **Horticourt**, individual growers vie for ribbons with impeccable specimens of lovingly tended plants. And visitors can enjoy a variety of activities at the Show throughout each day, including **lectures, workshops, and demonstrations; the Borders Book Fair; Gardener's Studio, presented by Subaru; cooking demonstrations; the elegant Afternoon Tea; and other attractions.**

If shopping is on your agenda, the **Marketplace** will showcase 140 national and international vendors offering everything from tiny bonsai trees to tropical orchids to woven porch swings. Keepsakes and collectibles will be available in the **PHS Flower Show Shoppe**, located in the Main Exhibit Hall.

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Revenues generated by the Philadelphia Flower Show help support the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's programs, including Philadelphia Green.

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PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

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Changing of the Guard

One of the wonderful aspects of my role at PHS is the opportunity to work with our volunteers and especially with our board, the PHS Council.

This body comprises 35 to 40 people from many backgrounds. Around the Council table you will find landscape architects and florists, lawyers and bankers, garden club members and representatives from Philadelphia neighborhoods that work with Philadelphia Green, as well as people with experience in human resources, finance and public relations. Their interests are diverse, but they have one common goal—helping us accomplish the PHS mission.

The Council chair plays a key role, providing the leadership that makes it possible for Council members to participate effectively in PHS operations. Since I became president of PHS, I have been fortunate to work with six men and women in this position, each one bringing different and wonderful talents to the job. Anne Kellett, chair for the past four years, has been no exception. Beyond all the other skills Anne brought to the table, she has been the ultimate cheerleader. When someone mentions PHS to Anne, her face lights up and she's off on a commentary on PHS that could rival that of a highly-paid promotion agent. As a long-time Flower Show exhibitor and volunteer, Anne knew PHS well when she joined the Council, and in her term as chair she has joined all kinds of discussions that have encouraged us to grow and develop in the past four years. To Anne, many, many thanks for your advice and counsel.

Following the Annual Meeting in early November, Harry E. Hill was appointed as the Council's 40th chair, a role he will fill with distinction and great enthusiasm. Harry also came to know PHS through the Flower Show as a member of the Men's Garden Club. (See "In the Spotlight" for more about Harry.)

If you see Harry at the Flower Show, praying that the Men's Garden Club will win another blue ribbon, please give him a warm welcome as the PHS Council's new chair.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

NEW LOOK FOR WIRED GARDENER

The Wired Gardener, produced by the PHS McLean Library, is a monthly guide to new gardening websites, descriptions of the latest books in the Library, and notices of gardening happenings in the Philadelphia area. Now six years old, this email news alert has a jazzier look and a home on the PHS web site, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* (click on "All About Gardening," then "Publications and Articles"). To learn more or to subscribe to this free news alert, send an email to *wiredgardener@pennhort.org* or call Janet Evans at 215-988-8779.

McLEAN LIBRARY DISPLAYS PENNOCK MEMORABILIA

A selection of objects from J. Liddon Pennock Jr.'s personal library at Meadowbrook Farm will be on display in the PHS McLean Library through April 2005. The exhibit, "Out of the Ordinary: Books & Objects from the Library of J. Liddon Pennock, Jr.," includes photos of Pennock's designs for Tricia Nixon's White House wedding, gift books with notable inscriptions, a "Puzzling Scenery" book, and design sketches. For more information, please call 215-988-8782.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Members' Ticket(s) for the 2005 Flower Show

PHS members: be on the lookout for your complimentary ticket(s) for the 2005 Show. **Ticket(s) will be mailed the week of January 24.** If you do not receive your ticket(s) by February 7, please call the membership office at 215-988-8776 or x 8832. When your tickets arrive, please put them in a secure place where you'll be sure to find them at Show time. PHS cannot be responsible for lost or misplaced tickets.

Membership Renewals

The months leading up to the Philadelphia Flower Show are the busiest time for PHS membership renewals. **The best way to make sure you receive your 2005 Flower Show tickets on time is to renew your membership as soon as possible.** It is easy to renew online at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. Of course, you can still renew by mail or phone (215-988-8832). Thank you for renewing early!

CORRECTION TO THE 2004 ANNUAL REPORT

The following names were mistakenly omitted from the 1827 Society list in the 2004 Annual Report:

Ann L. & Frank E. Reed
Jane M. Ruffin

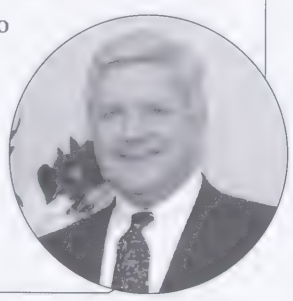
IN THE SPOTLIGHT: HARRY E. HILL

As you read in "Pepperpot," the PHS Council has a new chairman, longtime supporter and volunteer Harry E. Hill. Though he is president and CEO of both Empire-Airblast and the Delaware Car Company, as well as a volunteer for several other local organizations, Harry has found time over the past dozen years to serve on many PHS committees, including the Council, Executive Committee, Flower Show Executive Committee, Development, Meadowbrook Committee and the Azalea Garden Committee. Each winter, he helps create exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show as a member of the award-winning Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia.

Thanks to all these associations with PHS, Harry has gained a clear insight into the organization, making his transition to Council chair that much easier. "PHS has the best staff in the world, and they have a level of professionalism unlike any other organization with which I ever worked, making it a great deal of fun to be part of this organization," says Harry. "I'm both excited and challenged by this opportunity."

Like many people who become involved with PHS, Harry was won over by the work of our Philadelphia Green program. "I recently saw some of our 'Green City Strategy' work in a presentation and was amazed at the before-and-after photos of vacant lots. When you see how Philadelphia Green is helping to clean up this city, you think to yourself, 'That's what it's all about.'"

When asked about his goals as Council chair, Harry's magic word seems to be "involvement." As a past chair of the Azalea Garden Party, he notes, "When Louise and I led the committee for that event, I met a lot of families who might not necessarily be involved with the Flower Show, but who seemed like people who could get involved with the overall work of PHS. And as chair, I'd like to see more members become involved with Philadelphia Green and, through giving, with our 1827 Society of donors. I want to keep expanding our reach in this region."



"But frankly," Harry concludes, "I'm just honored to have been appointed chair and am humbled by the responsibility. It's exciting to be so deeply engaged with PHS."

PHS RECEIVES WILLIAM PENN FOUNDATION GRANT

The William Penn Foundation has awarded a two-year, $2 million grant to PHS for greening and community organizing efforts through its Philadelphia Green program. The new funding will help expand the reach of some of Philadelphia Green's ongoing initiatives, such as the Parks Revitalization Project, the Garden Tenders and Tree Tenders training courses, and other horticultural education efforts. It also provides support for several new partnerships and opportunities, including:

- A new collaboration between Philadelphia Green and The Reinvestment Fund (TRF), a Philadelphia-based nonprofit organization that promotes socially and environmentally responsible development in low-income communities. Philadelphia Green will implement landscape improvements and vacant land stabilization near economic revitalization projects currently being supported by TRF in two neighborhoods—Brewerytown and the area around LaSalle University.

- A role for Philadelphia Green as a technical advisor to the Schuylkill River Development Council, which is working to complete the Schuylkill River Park along the river in Center City. Philadelphia Green will offer expertise on landscape planning, design, construction, and maintenance management, as well as community outreach.

- An effort in West Philadelphia to revitalize six neighborhood parks and initiate a greening plan for Lancaster Avenue, working with local community organizations, residents and other stakeholders.

- Creation of a comprehensive greening strategy for the South Central Philadelphia area, including development of an action plan, creation of a network of community residents, a street-tree inventory, demonstration projects and creation of a new neighborhood park at 12th and Catharine Streets.

- Support for two neighborhood parks in New Kensington in collaboration with local community organizations and residents.

"We're excited by the opportunity to work with new partners and in areas of the city where Philadelphia Green has not worked before," says Mike Groman, senior director of Philadelphia Green. He said that, with the William Penn Foundation's support, Philadelphia Green will focus on building "a greater sense of ownership and investment in the city's open-space resources" by working closely with neighborhood residents and community leaders throughout the city. Philadelphia Green will be guided by an advisory committee comprised of key public and private stakeholders and investors, including The Reinvestment Fund and the Foundation.

The William Penn Foundation has been helping to support Philadelphia Green for more than 15 years. Founded in 1945 by Otto and Phoebe Haas, the Foundation is dedicated to improving the quality of life in the Greater Philadelphia region through efforts that foster rich cultural expression, strengthen children's futures, and deepen connections to nature and community. In partnership with others, the Foundation works to advance a vital, just, and caring community. Learn more about the Foundation online at *www.williampennfoundation.org.*

Pete Prown

Philadelphia Green staff member CR Robinson (left) works with a volunteer to plant a tree at Fisher Park in the city's Olney section. They were taking part in the annual "Fall for Your Park" event, which is organized by Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project.

DOCUMENTARY FILM TO FOCUS ON PHILADELPHIA GREENING EFFORTS

Over the past several months, a film crew has been in Philadelphia to shoot footage for a two-hour documentary, *Edens Lost and Found*, which will air on PBS in the fall. Produced by the award-winning company Wiland-Bell Productions, Edens Lost and Found will tell the story of four cities—Philadelphia, Chicago, Los Angeles, and Seattle—that are using greening and environmental innovation as a means toward urban revitalization. PHS's Philadelphia Green program will be featured, along with the Fairmount Park Commission, the Philadelphia Water Department, and other Philadelphia-based greening and environmental initiatives. For more on this exciting project, please visit *www.edenslostandfound.org.*

PHS WINS AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS AWARD

The American Institute of Architects (AIA) presented PHS with its fourth annual AIA Philadelphia Urban Design Committee Award at a ceremony on December 2. The award was established to recognize individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the quality of the urban environment in the Philadelphia region. PHS was honored for creating the Green City Strategy, which calls for major investments in Philadelphia's green spaces. The Strategy, now in its second year of implementation in partnership with the city's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, is an outgrowth of the 30 years of experience of PHS's Philadelphia Green program.

CITY GARDENING SERIES, PRESENTED BY PHILADELPHIA GREEN

The City Gardening Series will present several workshops during January. These workshops, held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and at other city locations, are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming workshops, please contact Marilyn Reynolds at *citygardening@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8872, or browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.*

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor two multi-session courses: **Botany of Food Plants** and **Plant Exploration in Early America: Gardens, Herbaria and Art**. These courses are free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call the Wagner Institute at 215-763-6529, ext. 23.**

Botany of Food Plants

Tuesday, January 18 and five Mondays, January 24 – February 21, 6:30 pm
(Please note the first class is on Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday)
PHS Auditorium

Presented by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, this course will focus on some of the plants that are most important to people. Humans have been genetically altering plants ever since agriculture began, and we'll discuss how certain important food plants have changed since they were first cultivated. The course will finish with a discussion of genetic engineering methods currently being applied to food plants.

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

Plant Exploration in Early America: Gardens, Herbaria and Art

Four Mondays, March 28 – April 18, 6:30 pm
There also will be two field trips following these sessions.
PHS Auditorium

From the late 17th century to the late 19th century, new plant discoveries in North America attracted the attention of botanists and horticulturists in Europe and America. Famous artists drew many of the new American plant species in the wild or transplanted them into gardens. The authors of classic works in natural history used both artistic portrayal and dried herbarium specimens to name and describe the new species. **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler** will discuss the links among explorers, gardeners, artists and authors during the golden age of botany.

Dr. Alfred E. (Ernie) Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences, where he has worked since 1962. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

WORKSHOP: CREATE AND PLANT YOUR OWN TROUGH GARDEN

Two Saturdays, January 8 and April 16, 10 am – 12 noon

A trough garden resembles a miniature world, with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space small enough to fit on your patio. In the January session of this two-part workshop led by rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**, you will create the trough, using a concrete-like mix applied to a plastic form. The trough will then be wrapped, labeled and allowed to cure slowly. In April, you will plant your trough with sun-loving miniature perennials and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of your hand-made container. **Limit: 15. Fee: $110 members, $120 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: GLASS-BOWL TERRARIUM

Wednesday, January 19, 10 am – 12 noon

What better time than the depths of winter to brighten your home with a lush, miniature world under glass? Meadowbrook horticulturist and frequent Flower Show award winner **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will demonstrate how to grow special types of begonias and ferns in glass bowls. You will plant your own eight-inch glass bowl with your choice of either a begonia or fern. Soil, fertilizing and disease control will be covered, and all materials are included. **Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

WALK: WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE

Thursday, January 20 (Snow Date: January 27)
10 am – 12 noon

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will lead this walk, discussing aspects of winter interest in the garden, with a particular focus on trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter finery, including a woodland path and the scenery around the estate Liddon Pennock bequeathed to PHS. **Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

THREE-PART CLASS

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL: ROSES

Three Tuesdays, February 8 and 22, March 8
6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS Auditorium and the Philadelphia Flower Show

The 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show, "America the Beautiful," will feature many fabulous examples of America's favorite flower, the rose. This three-part course celebrates the world of roses and culminates in a tour at the Philadelphia Flower Show. In the first two sessions, held at PHS, **Eva Monheim** will discuss new rose varieties and old favorites—especially those recommended for home gardens—and will suggest ways to use them in your landscape. She will also address rose care, including planting, pruning and how to keep your roses looking their best. The third session will meet at the Flower Show, where you will see premier rose varieties in garden settings. For the remainder of the evening you are free to enjoy the rest of the Show. **Limit: 30. Fee: $150 members, $175 non-members.**

Eva Monheim is a horticultural consultant, garden writer, lecturer and garden designer. She is co-founder of Glenside Green, a non-profit organization that works with local youth to green their schools. Ms. Monheim has held internships at the American Horticultural Society and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and has degrees in art, English and horticulture. She studied horticultural design at the University of Reading, England.

Fee includes a ticket to the Flower Show, sample materials, and a 'Knock Out' rose from Conard-Pyle. **Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479 or enroll online at *www.sas.upenn.edu/CGS*.**

EVENING LECTURE

HOT NEW ROSES FOR YOUR GARDEN

Tuesday, February 15, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

Roses are the stars of the garden, providing color and fragrance and offering plenty of cut flowers to extend the magic into your home. With their long-lasting blooms, they are an exceptional landscape value, yet their reputation as fussy, specialized plants discourages many gardeners from growing them. **Steve Hutton**, president of the Conard-Pyle Company, one of the premier rose growers in the country, will entice us with hot new rose varieties and convince us that there is a fool-proof rose for every garden. He will also offer tips on choosing the best location, planting, and seasonal maintenance to keep your roses healthy all season long. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Steve Hutton has worked in the field of horticulture since 1974. In 1986, he became chief executive officer of the Conard-Pyle Company in West Grove, PA. He serves on or chairs numerous boards and committees, including the All-America Rose Selections, the National Association of Plant Patent Owners, the American Association of Nurseryman Plant Nomenclature Committee, the PHS Gold Medal Award Committee, and the International Plant Propagators' Society.

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 for this evening lecture, which will be followed by light refreshments and wine.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES FLOWER SHOW TOURS

BURKE BROTHERS LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS, INC.

Glenside, PA
Thursday, February 17, 10 am – noon

Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc. will be responsible for one of the major Central Feature displays for this year's Flower Show, "America the Beautiful." Here's a chance to preview their designs for the American country, suburban and urban gardens that will delight Flower Show visitors this year. **Kevin Burke** will tell us about the planning process, and he'll share plenty of anecdotes from his many years as a major exhibitor at the Show. Directions will be mailed with your confirmation. **Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM

Abington Township, PA
Wednesday, February 23, 10 am – 12 noon

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peek at some of the unusual plants he is growing for Meadowbrook and other major Flower Show exhibitors. This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook Farm's greenhouses will also focus on the art and science, the successes and challenges of forcing plants for the Show. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Create and Plant Your Own Trough Garden	1/8, 4/16	Fee: $110/$120	_____	_____
☐ Glass-Bowl Terrarium	1/19	Fee: $45/$50	_____	_____
☐ Winter Interest in the Landscape	1/20	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
America the Beautiful	*Please see class description for registration info.*			
☐ Hot New Roses for Your Garden	2/15	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Burke Brothers	2/17	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Behind the Scenes: Meadowbrook Farm	2/23	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*

TRAVEL WITH PHS IN 2005

Join your fellow PHS members to visit exceptional gardens around the country and around the world. If you would like to receive an itinerary for any of the following trips, please contact Betsie Blodgett at *bblodgett@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8818. You can also read and print itineraries on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "PHS Events," then "Garden Trips."

English Garden Tour with Jane Pepper
The Cotswolds and Severn Valley
June 5–16

At press time, there were a few spaces left on this popular trip. Please call Betsie Blodgett at 215-988-8818 for information.

Gardens in Seattle and Portland
June 15–22

PHS will host a trip to the Pacific Northwest to visit gardens and nurseries in Seattle and Portland. June is a wonderful time to enjoy this national gardening mecca. Noted horticulturists from the region have helped select private gardens and notable public gardens, such as the Chinese Garden in Portland and the Bloedel Reserve near Seattle. We'll also visit Heronswood Nursery for a guided tour of this well-known display garden.

Bob Lilly, of the Northwest Perennial Alliance, will be our guide in Seattle, and Sara Grogan Mauritz, a Swarthmore native who now lives in Portland, will spend a day with us there. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will accompany the group.

Gardens of New Zealand
November 1–19

New Zealand has long been a popular destination for garden lovers from around the world because of its stunning landscape and the amazing variety of plants that thrive there. PHS members will once again have the opportunity to see the best of New Zealand gardens on both the North and South Islands. In addition to a wealth of private gardens, we'll visit cities such as Auckland, Wellington, Queenstown, Christchurch, and Dunedin, as well as natural wonders of the Kauri forests, Southern Alps, and Milford Sound. We'll also experience the warm hospitality of New Zealanders in private homes.

Gordon Collier, known for his garden at Titoki Point and as the current garden editor of *New Zealand House and Garden* magazine, is helping to plan our trip. Lynn Bublitz, a former biology and horticulture teacher and current chairman of the Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust, will be our horticultural guide. Both have suggested new gardens and areas we have not visited before. Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager, and Jean Lenehan of JL Tours will escort the group to New Zealand.

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THE 2005 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW IS ALMOST HERE

Special Events and Tips for Visitors

Join us for the Philadelphia Flower Show, March 6 through 13, and enjoy a wide range of special events. All events are FREE with Show admission.

Plan ahead to make the most of your visit. For the most up-to-date schedule information, please check our web site, ***www.theflowershow.com***. In addition, a complete ***Schedule of Events*** and the ***Official Show Program***, including a floor plan, will be available free of charge at the Show.

New this year is the **PNC People's Choice Pavilion**, sponsored by PNC Bank. Stop by the Pavilion located on the Main Show floor, fill out an entry form and your name will be automatically entered to win great prizes.

You can catch up on the latest gardening trends and techniques at daily **lectures and demonstrations** presented by experts, in rooms 201B & 201C. Speakers this year include TV personality P. Allen Smith and representatives from the National Arbor Day Foundation and the American Horticultural Society. Special thanks to our Lecture Series sponsor Organica.

The **Gardener's Studio**, presented by Subaru of America, Inc., will feature local and national experts conducting gardening demonstrations daily in Hall B. The Gardener's Studio is your opportunity to ask on-the-spot questions and get practical gardening information from experts.

PHS full members are eligible for a discount on the purchase or lease of a new Subaru through the **Subaru VIP Partners Program**. Please call the PHS membership office at 215-988-1622 for more details.

At the **All-Star Culinary Presentations**, you'll learn tips and expert kitchen techniques from an exciting lineup of local celebrity chefs, including Susanna Foo of Susanna Foo's and Dan O'Reilly of the Union League. Demonstrations take place three times daily—12 noon, 1:30 pm, and 3 pm. Demonstrations are held in room 204B on the bridge concourse leading to the Grand Hall. Special thanks to culinary presentation sponsor Starbucks Coffee Company and to host Chef Joseph E. Shilling and the Art Institute of Philadelphia, School of Culinary Arts.

Visit the Show on **Wednesday evening** and enjoy the displays while sipping wine or beer from one of the **cash bars located on the Show floor**. Also, enjoy **free and discounted street parking in Philadelphia** on Wednesday nights. Visit *www.the flowershow.com* for more details.

On Saturday evening, March 5, Channel 6 ABC/WPVI TV will **broadcast live** from the Show Floor, beginning at 7 pm during the Flower Show Preview Dinner cocktail reception. This live broadcast is incorporated into the **Flower Show video**, which contains behind-the-scenes stories from the Show and is sold at the PHS Flower Show Shoppe.

Planning an overnight stay for the Show? Check out dozens of **special offers at area hotels**. For information on hotel packages, please call Central Reservations at 888-222-1736. **Amtrak offers a 15% discount on fares** to Philadelphia from March 1 to March 20, 2005. Fare is valid for travel on the Northeast Corridor on off-peak, unreserved regional trains. Call Amtrak at 800-USA-RAIL and mention fare code V747. (Some restrictions apply.) Please see page 3 for information on **SEPTA discounts**.

Buy tickets in advance and save. Tickets may be purchased in advance at a discounted price of $20 at participating PNC Bank branches, AAA Mid-Atlantic branches, ACME Markets, Philadelphia-area and select New York City Borders Books & Music stores, Clemens Markets, SEPTA ticket sales outlets and at participating garden centers and nurseries. Check availability with individual outlets; service charges may apply. Tickets are also available online at *www.theflowershow.com*.

Finally, ask for the **Philadelphia Flower Show debit card** when you open a PNC Bank checking account. A donation will be made to PHS and you can carry the Flower Show with you all year long. The card is available to new and current PNC Bank customers with any PNC Bank checking account. *–Elizabeth Anderson*

Visit
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Staying Connected

Six thousand books checked out; 1,800 questions answered by our Ask-a-Gardener Q & A volunteers, plus another 3,600 answered by the friendly library staff. These are just a few of the 2004 statistics from the PHS McLean Library. Beyond the statistics however, is a wealth of horticultural information that streams to and from the library daily, covering everything from basic gardening questions to sophisticated research topics.

Periodically, I read newspaper articles that question the future of libraries, but if the McLean Library is any indication, these wonderful institutions continue to play a very important role in our society. At PHS, we combine the old with the new, mixing intimate contact with books with the wonders of technology. Our monthly book club, "Stories from the Garden," lets members sit down together to discuss the literature of gardens, plants and the land. (For more about this group, please call 215-988-8782 or check the events calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.*)

Computer-savvy readers can now find titles of books in the McLean Library by searching popular Internet search engines, such as Google Scholar, as well as by searching the online catalog on the library website (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, click on "All About Gardening").

If you need help using the web, consider taking advantage of the library's free internet training for gardening groups. The workshop, called Gardening Resources on the Web, covers web search tools, effective search strategies, and tips on evaluating good gardening web sites. For more information on this training, which includes a behind-the-scenes library tour, just email *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*.

Another wonderful resource you can access from your home computer is *The Wired Gardener*, a free, monthly online newsletter. It includes information on useful gardening websites, new books in the library and news of gardening happenings at PHS and elsewhere. To subscribe, email *wiredgardener@pennhort.org*, call 215-988-8772 or visit the website.

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PHS WINS EVENTS ASSOCIATION AWARDS FOR FLOWER SHOW

The **International Festival and Events Association** (IFEA) announced six major awards for the Philadelphia Flower Show at its annual conference in Boston. The IFEA/Haas Wilkerson Pinnacle Awards were presented to PHS for the 2004 Flower Show video (gold), Flower Show merchandise (gold), the Show program and poster (both silver), and the brochure and website (bronze).

IFEA is a national organization that offers networking, publications, seminars and other resources to those in the special events industry. Its members include the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, the Kentucky Derby Festival and Disney's Wine and Food Festival.

"It's extremely gratifying to receive this kind of recognition from a respected professional group like IFEA." says Lisa Stephano, director of marketing and public relations for PHS.

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Join your fellow PHS members to visit exceptional gardens around the country and around the world. If you would like to receive an itinerary for the following trips, please contact Betsie Blodgett at *bblodgett@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8818. You can also read and print itineraries on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "PHS Events," then "Garden Trips."

- **Gardens in Seattle and Portland, June 15–22**
- **Gardens of New Zealand, November 1–19**

HORTICULTURAL SPEAKERS LIST AVAILABLE

The 2005 Horticultural Speakers List is now available from the McLean Library. It includes available speakers for garden clubs, civic organizations and other Philadelphia-area groups. For a copy, please contact Josie Miller at 215-988-8772 or *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org.*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: CAROLE BARTHOLDSON

Carole Bartholdson cannot remember precisely, but she thinks she may have missed one Flower Show Preview Dinner in the past 30 years. It all started with a last-minute invitation. "The first time we attended the Dinner," Carole explains, "a friend's parents had reserved a table and when one couple cancelled, we were invited in their place. We've been happily attending this wonderful event ever since."

For Carole, attending that first Flower Show gala was the beginning of a long relationship with PHS. At a friend's suggestion, she became involved with the Infonet Committee, the team of intrepid volunteers who answer questions and help direct guests at the Show. "It's really a pleasure to help make people's time at the Flower Show more enjoyable," says Carole.

Now, as chair of this year's Preview Dinner, Carole says she'd like to see more young people get hooked, just as she and her husband, John, did those 30 years ago. Preview Dinner attendees have the chance to dress up for the evening and view the Show up close, without the crowds. "It's such a neat way to see the Show," Carole says. She's been working with the committee to encourage more young people to get on board.

Some of Carole's other duties as chair include helping to decide on the menu and tasting some of the scrumptious items that will be served that night. "It's fun to see all the effort that goes into it," says Carole, who served as Dinner vice-chair last year. She says the caterers, ARAMARK, really pour their "heart and soul" into the preparations. The committee also works with Robertson's Flowers to choose centerpieces and other decorations for the evening.

Says Ellen Wheeler, the PHS staff coordinator of the event, "The Dinner chair is instrumental in pulling the final details together, but perhaps their most important job is greeting the guests that evening and making everyone feel welcome and special."

One of the most important rewards, according to Carole, is knowing that Show proceeds help support the work of Philadelphia Green. "I think it's so important," she says. "It's wonderful that the Horticultural Society can channel those resources and help make a difference in countless lives. It helps not only those who live in the city, but all of us in the region."

PHILADELPHIA GREEN AT THE FLOWER SHOW

For years, visitors to the Flower Show have enjoyed the display by PHS's Philadelphia Green program. This year's offering will showcase Philadelphia Green's wide range of initiatives, including a multimedia presentation that highlights the program's impact on the city. Through images, narration, and a series of interviews, this presentation will focus on the theme: "Live, grow, and thrive in a green Philadelphia."

"We'll be showing the economic, social, physical, and environmental benefits that greening has in Philadelphia," notes Eva Ray, PHS education director. In addition, large photographic murals will capture the spirit of Philadelphia Green. And just in case you were wondering: "Oh, of course there will also be flowers!" laughs Eva.

For the first time, the Philadelphia Green exhibit will be linked with PHS's Gold Medal Plant Award exhibit. "It just made sense for us to showcase PHS's programs together," explains Eva. So, be sure and drop in next door to see and learn about the many outstanding woody plants that PHS recommends for our growing region.

PHS extends generous thanks once again to Bartlett Tree Experts for sponsoring the Philadelphia Green exhibit at the Flower Show. The exhibit will be located just to the left of the ever-popular PHS Flower Show Shoppe on the main Show floor.

MEMBERSHIP TIPS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW

PHS members' tickets were mailed the last week in January. If you do not receive your ticket(s) by February 4, please contact the membership office as soon as possible (215-988-8776 or 215-988-8832). Please store your tickets in a safe place where you can find them at Show time. PHS cannot replace lost or misplaced tickets.

Renew Today

If your membership expires soon, please renew today to guarantee the timely delivery of Flower Show tickets and information. **We cannot guarantee delivery by mail of tickets for new, renewing, or upgrading memberships received after February 11.** It's easy to renew in person, by mail, by fax (215-988-8810) phone (215-988-8776 or x8832), or through the PHS web site (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*). **Please consider upgrading your membership** to receive additional tickets for the 2005 Show. To upgrade, please call the number listed above.

Extra Tickets for the Preview

Only members can buy extra tickets for the Members' Preview on Saturday afternoon, March 5, noon to 3:30 pm. Cost: adults $60 and children $25. In most cases, it is easier and less expensive to upgrade your membership than to purchase single tickets.

PHS Members receive special benefits at the Flower Show:

- **The Members' Lounge**, located on the Show level, is open to all members (with membership cards) from Sunday, March 6 through Sunday, March 13. This is a quiet spot to rest your weary feet while enjoying a complimentary cup of coffee or tea. The lounge opens at 10am each day and closes at 4pm on Sundays and 7pm all other days.
- Members enjoy **shopping discounts** at the PHS Flower Show Shoppe, located on the Show floor. Many generous vendors in the Marketplace also offer member discounts. The average discount is 10%. For discounts, you **MUST** present your current membership card before the sale is rung on the cash register. A list of participating vendors will be available at the Show at both membership booths and in the Member's Lounge. The list will also be posted on the PHS web site beginning February 1 (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*).

See you at the Flower Show!

BLOOMIN' FUN PASS

During Flower Show Week—March 6 through 13—present your Bloomin' Fun Pass to enjoy **special offers, events, and discounts at area restaurants, shops, attractions, theaters, gardens, and hotels**. Pick up your Bloomin' Fun Pass at PHS headquarters or at the following locations: PNC Bank branches, Philadelphia International Airport, Independence Visitor Center, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, area malls (Franklin Mills, The Shops at Liberty Place, The Gallery at Market East), Center City District kiosks, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Franklin Institute. Bloomin' Fun Pass online coupons can be printed at *www.theflowershow.com.*

RIDE SEPTA TO THE 2005 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

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Major Exhibitor Competitive Categories

The symbol next to the exhibitor's name indicates the category in which they will be competing at the 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show.

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Watershed, Radnor Middle School

Container Display

"Home Sweet Home"
The Arboretum School of the Barnes Foundation, Class of 2005
Atlock Farm Group
The Inforcers
Upscale Gardeners

Entryways

"Liberty Lane"
Jeannie & Jim Francis & Alicia McShulkis, My Grandmother's Garden
Moorestown Garden Club
The Siblings
University of Delaware, Merrie Stems

Gardens

"Celebrate Community Pride"
W. Hunter Hayes and Lauren Costello
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The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia
Roots Community Garden

Miniature Settings

"Made in the USA"
Terry and Judy Boyer
Judith Carney
Alyce Doyle
The Garden Club of Wilmington
Nancy & John Grube and Deborah & James Mackie
Martha McCloskey
Cathy Olsen & Dot Milsom
The Siblings

Rooms

"American Treasures"
Acorns to Oaks
The Gardeners
The Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia
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Bob Prouty
Roots and Shoots

Tables

"The Great American Novel"
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Terraces

"Free to Play"
Greene Countrie Garden Club
Outdoor Gardeners
Spade and Trowel Club of Kennett Square
Susan von Medicus & Liz Amey

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"America Sings"
The Garden Club of Philadelphia
The Garden Club of Wilmington
Random Garden Club
Wissahickon Garden Club

Window Boxes and Lamp Posts

"Down the Shore"/ "Up the Mountains"
Conestoga Garden Club
Toni DeGeorge
Four Counties Garden Club
The Garden Workers
Greater Woodbury Garden Club
Harriton High School
Phyllis Hewins & Janet Hano
Maple Glen Garden Club
Northeast High School
The Planters
The Weeders

FREE LECTURE SERIES

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor a multi-session course: **Plant Exploration in Early America: Gardens, Herbaria and Art**. This course is free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call the Wagner Institute at 215-763-6529, ext. 23.**

Plant Exploration in Early America: Gardens, Herbaria and Art

Four Mondays, March 28 – April 18, 6:30 pm
There also will be two field trips following these sessions.
PHS Auditorium

From the late 17th century to the late 19th century, new plant discoveries in North America attracted the attention of botanists and horticulturists in Europe and America. Famous artists drew many of the new American plant species in the wild or transplanted them into gardens. The authors of classic works in natural history used both artistic portrayal and dried herbarium specimens to name and describe the new species. **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler** will discuss the links among explorers, gardeners, artists and authors during the golden age of botany.

Dr. Alfred E. (Ernie) Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences, where he has worked since 1962. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

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THREE-PART CLASS

AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL: ROSES

Three Tuesdays, February 8 and 22, March 8
6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS Auditorium and the Philadelphia Flower Show

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The 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show, "America the Beautiful," will feature many fabulous examples of America's favorite flower, the rose. This three-part course celebrates the world of roses and culminates in a tour at the Philadelphia Flower Show. In the first two sessions, held at PHS, **Eva Monheim** will discuss new rose varieties and old favorites—especially those recommended for home gardens—and will suggest ways to use them in your landscape. She will also address rose care, including planting, pruning and how to keep your roses looking their best. The third session will meet at the Flower Show, where you will see premier rose varieties in garden settings. For the remainder of the evening you are free to enjoy the rest of the Show. **Limit: 30. Fee: $150 members, $175 non-members.**

Eva Monheim is a horticultural consultant, garden writer, lecturer and garden designer. She is co-founder of Glenside Green, a non-profit organization that works with local youth to green their schools. Ms. Monheim has held internships at the American Horticultural Society and the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society and has degrees in art, English and horticulture. She studied horticultural design at the University of Reading, England.

Fee includes a ticket to the Flower Show, sample materials, and a 'Knock Out' rose from Conard-Pyle. **Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479 or enroll online at *www.sas.upenn.edu/CGS*.**

EVENING LECTURE

HOT NEW ROSES FOR YOUR GARDEN

Tuesday, February 15, 6 pm
PHS Auditorium

Roses are the stars of the garden, providing color and fragrance and offering plenty of cut flowers to extend the magic into your home. With their long-lasting blooms, they are an exceptional landscape value, yet their reputation as fussy, specialized plants discourages many gardeners from growing them. **Steve Hutton**, president of the Conard-Pyle Company, one of the premier rose growers in the country, will entice us with hot new rose varieties and convince us that there is a fool-proof rose for every garden. He will also offer tips on choosing the best location, planting, and seasonal maintenance to keep your roses healthy all year long. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Steve Hutton has worked in the field of horticulture since 1974. In 1986, he became chief executive officer of the Conard-Pyle Company in West Grove, PA. He serves on and chairs numerous boards and committees, including the All-America Rose Selections, the National Association of Plant Patent Owners, the American Association of Nurseryman Plant Nomenclature Committee, the PHS Gold Medal Award Committee, and the International Plant Propagators' Society.

The McLean Library will be open until 5:45 for this evening lecture, which will be followed by light refreshments and wine.

BEHIND-THE-SCENES FLOWER SHOW TOURS

BURKE BROTHERS LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS, INC.

Glenside, PA
Thursday, February 17, 10 am – noon

Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc. will be responsible for one of the major Central Feature displays for this year's Flower Show, "America the Beautiful." Here's a chance to preview their designs for the American country, suburban and urban gardens that will delight Flower Show visitors this year. **Kevin Burke** will tell us about the planning process and share plenty of anecdotes from his many years as a major exhibitor at the Show. Directions will be mailed with your confirmation. **Limit: 20. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM

Abington Township, PA
Wednesday, February 23, 10 am – 12 noon

John Story, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give us a sneak peek at some of the unusual plants he is growing for Meadowbrook and other major Flower Show exhibitors. This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook Farm's greenhouses will also focus on the art and science, the successes and challenges of forcing plants for the Show. **Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

HARDY WINTER FLOWERS

Offered on two dates:
Wednesday, March 16; Saturday, March 26, 1 – 3 pm
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Even in winter the garden can produce a succession of blooming flowers that revel in the cold. These tough but delicate flowers come from a remarkable array of bulbs, perennials and shrubs hardy in the Delaware Valley. As we tour his garden, **Charles Cresson** will show how you can

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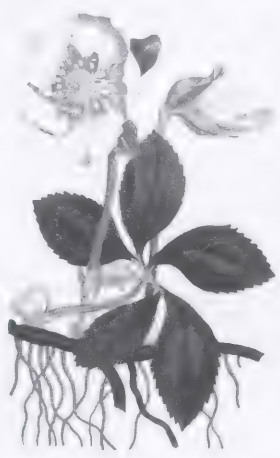
Charles Cresson is a garden designer, consultant, photographer, and author. His garden, Hedgleigh Spring, is known for its collection of plants, creative combinations, and four seasons of interest. He studied at the University of Vermont and the University of Bath in England and has worked for the Royal Horticultural Society and W. Atlee Burpee & Co. He is the award-winning author of three books: *Charles Cresson on the American Flower Garden*; *Ornamental Trees* and *Rock Gardening*, as well as the guidebook to Meadowbrook Farm. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**



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BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays:
March 22, 29; April 5, 12, 19, 26; and May 3, 10
10 am – 1 pm
PHS, 5th Floor Classroom

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor or have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality, this is the class for you. This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include mixing the colors of nature, making a color journal, exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of brushes and paper. It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. **Limit: 15. Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members.**

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☐ Botanical Illustration with Watercolor	3/22	Fee: $215/$230	_____	_____
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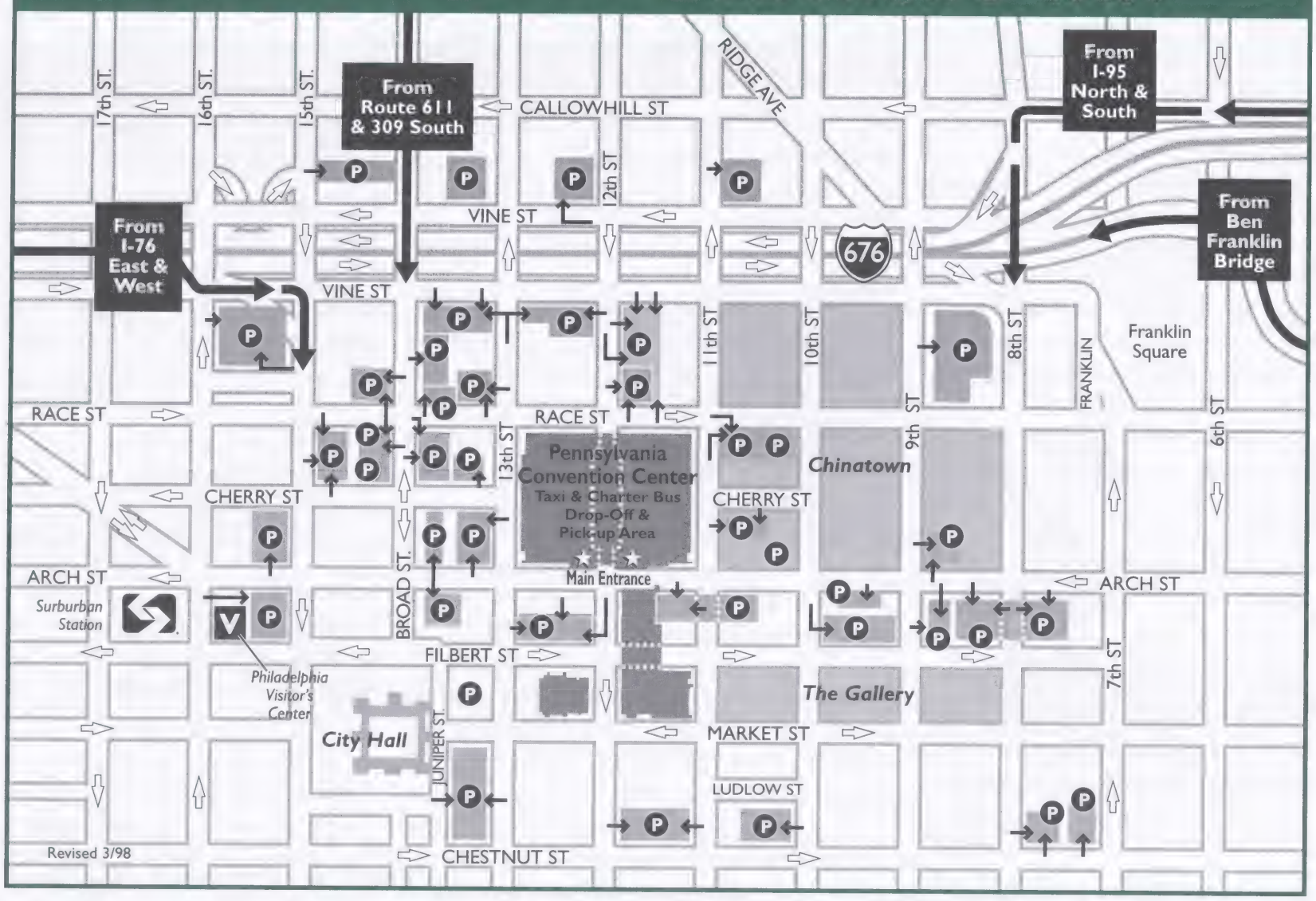

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THE 2005 FLOWER SHOW IS HERE

Fun stuff to do and other last-minute tips

Find that plant you saw on TV this morning
The volunteers at the Infonet booths, located outside Hall A and on the Show floor, know the Show inside and out. What they don't know, they will find out for you. (And yes, they can also answer more basic questions, such as the location of the nearest restroom.) You'll also see Flower Show volunteers on the Show floor—just look for someone in a bright pink smock.

Hear live music
A local bluegrass band will perform four times a day at the "country cottage" in the Central Feature.

Get tickets for the 2006 Flower Show
Tickets are just one of the benefits of a PHS membership. Visit one of the membership booths—in Hall B near the orchids or next to the Flower Show Shoppe—to renew your membership for next year or to discover more benefits of being a PHS member.

Locate your lost mother-in-law
Head to PNC Park, the official Lost Persons Area, and post a note on the message board. PNC Bank, the Flower Show's presenting sponsor, also offers conveniently located ATMs on the Show floor.

Learn to Garden at the Flower Show
Not only can you see spectacular exhibits at the Philadelphia Flower Show, but you can also nurture your own gardening talents. Better yet, it's FREE with Show admission. Take advantage of daily Lectures & Demonstrations on the Bridge Concourse or learn new skills in the popular Gardener's Studio, right on the Show Floor, presented by Subaru of America, Inc. Tip: bring a notepad and a pen or pencil.

Dress for the weather
The Show floor can be a little chilly (the flowers like it that way), so bring a sweater or jacket. And with 11 acres to cover, comfortable walking shoes are a must.

To find out more about the Philadelphia Flower Show, including the Lecture Series, Gardener's Studio, or All-Star Cooking Presentations, please check the Flower Show website, *www.theflowershow.com* for an updated schedule. Events will also be posted at the Show.

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March 6–13, 2005

Pennsylvania Convention Center
12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia

www.theflowershow.com

General Admission
Adults: $26 on Opening Sunday (March 6), $24 on weekends, $22 on weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $12 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $20
Group tickets (20 or more people): $19.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8899 (recorded information).

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Old and New Friends

During the last few months of 2004, PHS received some wonderful donations from new and returning donors, whom I want to introduce to you. Last spring, I made a presentation to local United Way donors, after which I talked with John K. Smith, president of Lumbermens Mutual Insurance Company, founded in 1895 to provide insurance services to the lumber, woodworking and building-materials industries. As a result of these conversations, Lumbermens joined the PHS family to support our Tree Tenders program, which trains city residents to plant and maintain trees in their communities.

A donation from the Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust, a returning donor, will help us create an online database for award-winning plants in the PHS Gold Medal Plant Award program. Soon, on our website, you will be able to sort these plants by categories such as size, light exposure and bloom color.

The Chanticleer Foundation has been a long-time supporter of the Gold Medal Plant Award program. The Foundation will continue to sponsor the Gold Medal program, but now will also provide resources for our City Gardening Series, which offers free horticultural workshops to Philadelphia residents.

Other notable grants for our Philadelphia Green program include one from Environmental Resources Management (ERM), an environmental consultancy; the National Recreation Foundation; and Bank of America. You can read about the projects being funded on page 3.

We are also grateful to all the donors who decided, as they renew their PHS memberships, to join our leadership giving categories. In the final months of '04, these categories gained a total of 92 members. Overall, since July 1, 2004, we have welcomed 513 new PHS members.

And finally, a big Happy Birthday to PHS member Jeanette Landis, who will celebrate her 85th birthday by bringing 26 members of her family and friends to the Flower Show Preview Reception and Dinner.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

MEADOWBROOK FARM AT THE FLOWER SHOW

See it at the Show. Buy it at Meadowbrook!

Where do they get all those gorgeous flowers you see at the Philadelphia Flower Show? Many of them are "forced" into bloom at Meadowbrook Farm, located in a wooded corner of Abington Township, just north of Philadelphia. Formerly the estate of the late Mr. & Mrs. J. Liddon Pennock, Jr., Meadowbrook Farm is a non-profit affiliate of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, as well as a first-class nursery and garden center. At its retail shop, shoppers can buy great giftware and everything from pansies to specialty succulents and orchids.

Says Meadowbrook general manager John Story, "We have plenty of traditional bedding plants, such as annual geraniums and container plants. But we also have rare specimens for serious horticulture lovers and even world-traveling plant hunters. For example, many nurseries have 20 or so varieties of succulent plants. We have about *150* different specimens of succulents alone, which shows you how much depth we have in our offerings. We have a few plants that can even make experts say, '*Wow—where did you find that?*'"

The staff at Meadowbrook Farm also offers guided group tours of the beautiful formal gardens, as well as horticultural classes and workshops for PHS members. Indeed, there's plenty to do at Meadowbrook Farm. Best of all, the nursery carries many of the great plants you see at the Flower Show.

Meadowbrook Farm is located at 1633 Washington Lane in Meadowbrook (Abington Township), PA. The phone number is 215-887-5900. Hours are 10 am to 5 pm, Monday through Saturday year round, with extended spring hours. The website—which includes directions—is *www.meadowbrooknursery.com*. And for upcoming PHS events at Meadowbrook, see page 4 or visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* and click on "Calendar."

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: CHUCK FELD

When you visit the Gold Medal exhibit at the Flower Show, you'll see a variety of woody plants that have received the PHS Gold Medal Plant Award, and you'll be greeted by friendly attendants who can answer your questions. Those attendants are volunteers from the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association (PLNA), and all of them are Pennsylvania Certified Horticulturists, so you can count on getting good, professional advice.

Who brings these volunteers together? Chuck Feld. He's been helping to organize the Gold Medal exhibits since the first exhibit seven years ago. A long-time member of the PLNA board of directors, Chuck got involved with the Gold Medal exhibit at the request of Kathy Mills, now director of Show production. "We wanted to have people on hand to answer questions about Gold Medal plants, but we just didn't have the staff to do it," says Kathy. "Chuck solved the problem by tapping into a great group of volunteers."

Aside from staffing the exhibit, Chuck and the other volunteers also grow and force the plants, which they donate to PHS for the Show. Forcing the plants—ensuring that everything is blooming during that one week in March—is a complicated process. But Chuck knows a thing or two about growing woody plants. He worked for J. Franklin Styer Nurseries for 27 years before opening his own business, Birmingham Gardens, which grows small "starter plants" for sale to wholesale nurseries.

"The easiest way to explain what I do," says Chuck, "is to say that 'I put roots on woody plants'." Chuck says he's always been fascinated by the science of plant propagation. The other thing he likes about his line of work is that the plants he grows are tiny. "It's a lot easier on your back," he chuckles.

"During set-up week, Chuck acts as a floor manager for the exhibit," notes Gold Medal coordinator Joe Ziccardi. Having worked for Styers for so many years, Chuck was no stranger to the Flower Show when he began working on the Gold Medal exhibit—this year will be his 37th Show.

Chuck also forces plants for the PHS plant dividend, now held in the fall at PHS Members' Day, and supplies plants for the Gold Medal booth at that event. "Chuck does so much for the Gold Medal Program," says Kathy Mills. "Volunteers like him don't come along every day."

Note: You can see the Gold Medal exhibit at the Flower Show on the main Show Floor, adjacent to the Philadelphia Green exhibit. The Gold Medal program is funded in part by the Chanticleer Foundation. For more information on Gold Medal Plants, visit *www.goldmedalplants.com.*

NEW PARTNERS FOR PHILADELPHIA GREEN

Philadelphia Green has recently received some notable new grants, both from long-time funders as well as new supporters:

The **Chanticleer Foundation**, a sponsor of PHS's Gold Medal Plant Award program, will provide resources for the Philadelphia Green City Gardening Series. This project offers free classes and workshops to residents throughout Philadelphia, with sessions held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library and other community locations (for information on upcoming workshops, visit the PHS website and click on "Calendar"). Through Philadelphia Green, Chanticleer will also welcome city residents for group tours of the renowned garden, located in Wayne, PA.

Another returning donor is the **National Recreation Foundation**, which previously provided a three-year grant to fund park patrols—youth groups that work in parks as part of Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project. In Fall 2003, the Foundation's board held its annual meeting in Philadelphia and had a chance to visit neighborhoods in which Philadelphia Green works. Twelve months later, the Board approved a planning grant to enable PHS to design new youth programs in conjunction with schools in some of these neighborhoods. Once implemented, the new initiative, called Green City Youth, will combine classroom instruction with hands-on improvement projects in the neighborhoods.

A new partner is Environmental Resources Management (ERM), the world's largest all-environmental consulting firm. Recently, the **ERM Group Foundation**, with contributions from ERM employees, has provided funds for improvement projects at the Summer/Winter Garden in the Powelton section of West Philadelphia. **Citizens Bank**, a supporter of PHS's Green City Strategy, will help finance additional enhancements at this Keystone Garden.

Also in West Philadelphia, the Saunders Park/West Powelton neighborhood will see improvements to its Lancaster Avenue business corridor and to the area's only public green space, Saunders Park, thanks to a grant from **Bank of America**. Philadelphia Green will work with the community and key partners to enhance the park with new trees, new entranceways, and improved planting beds. Along Lancaster Avenue, between 38th and 44th Streets, Philadelphia Green will plant street trees and implement other streetscape improvements, such as fencing, plantings, and artwork.

WHARTON SCHOOL STUDY FINDS GREENING IS A GOOD INVESTMENT

Investments in greening and in vacant land management can increase property values by 30% or more. This is one of the findings in a recently published study, *The Determinants of Neighborhood Transformation in Philadelphia–Identification and Analysis*, undertaken by the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. The study, supported by the William Penn Foundation, looked at revitalization strategies and their impact on neighborhoods.

The report focused on the New Kensington area of Philadelphia. New Kensington was the site of a vacant land management program coordinated and managed by Philadelphia Green in partnership with the New Kensington Community Development Corporation (NKCDC). The community-based land management system, developed by Philadelphia Green and funded by the city's Office of Housing and Community Development, was designed to address the large number of derelict vacant lots in the area, improve the appearance of the community, help stem population loss, attract new residents, and encourage reinvestment.

Three key findings were noted in this preliminary report:

- Neighborhood blocks with higher concentrations of unmanaged vacant lots displayed significantly lower house prices.

- Tree plantings showed a positive effect on housing values, about a 9% increase.

Konrad Square Park in New Kensington

- There is a 30% to 64% increase in housing prices for neighbors of vacant lots that have been cleaned and greened.

"We were always convinced that greening has a tremendously positive impact on communities," says J. Blaine Bonham, Jr., executive vice president of PHS. "The success of our Philadelphia Green program has demonstrated this. Now, the Wharton findings begin to validate the true impact in dollars and cents."

The study utilized new technology and new economic methods to measure the steady impact of greening as accurately as possible, adjusting for other factors, such as a strong real estate market. The report's author, Susan Wachter, a professor of real estate, finance, and city and regional planning at the Wharton School, anticipates that the findings will be applicable to other cities throughout the United States. "Philadelphia is at the forefront of using place-based policies to transform cities from decline to vibrant health," she says.

A forthcoming report will look at the entire city, and the Wharton School will soon release additional results that indicate the benefits of revitalization efforts with regards to public safety, schools, and business corridor investment.

2005 PLANT SALES AND EVENTS LISTINGS

The Philadelphia area offers a wealth of beautiful gardens and gardening activities. To help our members keep track of it all, each spring the *PHS News* has published a list of plant sales, exhibits and other annual events sponsored by local plant societies, public gardens, and other nonprofit organizations.

This year we received more than 60 entries for inclusion on this list, which means there's a lot of gardening going on out there! (Thanks to all the organizations who sent information.) Unfortunately, there is just not enough space on these pages to include them all.

You'll find a complete list on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* under "Latest News." If you prefer to get this list the traditional way, please call the publications office at 215-988-8768, and we'll send you a paper copy.

You can also receive up-to-date information on gardening events each month on your desktop by signing up for email alerts from the Wired Gardener. (To subscribe, email *wiredgardener@pennhort.org*).

Happy Gardening!

MCLEAN LIBRARY BOOK GROUP PARTNERS WITH PHILLY SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

The McLean Library's "Stories from the Garden" book club will discuss Shakespeare's play "As You Like It" at its April 7 meeting, 5:45–7:45, in the library. This discussion and a book exhibit on Shakespeare's flowers and plant themes (April–June) is planned in conjunction with the Philadelphia Shakespeare Festival (April 1–May 31). The Festival, now in its eighth season, includes performances of "As You Like It" and "Hamlet." To learn more about the library's book group, contact 215-988-8782 or *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*. For Festival information, see the Philadelphia Shakespeare Festival website, *www.phillyshakespeare.org*, or call 215-496-8001.

PROGRAMS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

WALK: SPRING BULBS
Wednesday, April 13, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

This garden walk and classroom discussion/slide lecture will explore those cheerful harbingers of spring, "Dutch" bulbs. Chanticleer horticulturist **Robert Herald** will focus on the most important spring-blooming bulbs—those that are truly perennial and that naturalize. From snowdrops to daffodils, he will review their identification, garden culture, landscape uses and sources. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS
Wednesday, April 27, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Chanticleer horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will discuss all aspects of pruning and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning and proper tools. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

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WORKSHOP: PROPAGATING FERNS FROM SPORES
Wednesday, April 6, 10 am – noon

Horticulturist and frequent Flower Show blue ribbon winner **Virginia Page-Hentschel**, of Meadowbrook Farm, will cover everything you need to know about this fascinating, specialized form of plant propagation. Topics will include how to identify and collect spores, the proper medium and conditions for sowing the spores, and optimum conditions as your fern grows. **Limit: 20. Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: TROUGH PLANTING
Saturday, April 16, 1 – 3 pm

A trough garden resembles a miniature world, with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space small enough to fit onto your patio. In this class, taught by rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**, you will plant a pre-fabricated trough with a range of sun-loving miniature perennial and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of the trough. Bernard will share tips for taking care of your garden throughout the season. **Limit: 15. Fee: $125 members, $135 non-members.**

WALK: NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE
Tuesday, April 19, 10 am – noon

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Karl Rider** will introduce and discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic plants, and natives to use for difficult conditions in your own garden. The program includes a tour of Meadowbrook's naturalized areas. **Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: MAKING A SUCCULENT WREATH
Thursday, April 21, 10 am – noon

Impress your friends and family with the charming living wreath you will design and create in this workshop. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will demonstrate how to create a living wreath with a variety of small succulent plants. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss and then plant the succulents around the wreath. The finished product can be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or a decoration for your garden gate; it is usually hardy enough to survive our winters. **Limit: 20. Fee: $50 members, $55 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

HARDY WINTER FLOWERS
Offered on two dates:
Wednesday, March 16; Saturday, March 26, 1 – 3 pm
Swarthmore, PA

Even in winter the garden can produce a succession of blooming flowers that revel in the cold. These tough but delicate flowers come from a remarkable array of bulbs, perennials and shrubs hardy in the Delaware Valley. As we tour his garden, **Charles Cresson** will show how you can enhance the berries, bark textures, evergreens and silhouettes in your winter landscape with real flowers in full bloom. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Charles Cresson is a garden designer, consultant, photographer, and author. His garden, Hedgleigh Spring, is known for its collection of plants, creative combinations, and four seasons of interest. He studied at the University of Vermont and the University of Bath in England and has worked for the Royal Horticultural Society and W. Atlee Burpee & Co. He is the award-winning author of three books: *Charles Cresson on the American Flower Garden, Ornamental Trees,* and *Rock Gardening*, as well as the guidebook to Meadowbrook Farm.

WORKSHOP

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays:
March 22, 29; April 5, 12, 19, 26; and May 3, 10
10 am – 1 pm
PHS, 5th Floor Classroom

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PHS SPRING GARDEN VISITS

Volunteers are needed for the popular spring garden tours. This year's Garden Visits will spotlight gardens in the **Meadowbrook/Rydal** area (May 8), **French Creek/Upper Chester County** (May 22), and the **Trenton** area (June 12). Volunteer shifts run from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm and 2 to 5 pm. This is an ideal opportunity to spend a Sunday afternoon at an exceptional garden, as well as meet and greet fellow PHS members. Jobs include greeting and counting attendees, directing parking, and directing visitors in the garden. Training will be provided. You may also visit the other gardens during the shift you are not working. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org.*

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☐ Trough Planting Workshop	4/16	Fee: $125/$135	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape	4/19	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
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TRAVEL WITH PHS IN 2005

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Gardens in Seattle and Portland
June 15–22, 2005

Visit splendid private gardens, from small city spaces to lush suburban landscapes, plus public gardens, including the Japanese Garden, Portland Classical Chinese Garden, Bellevue Botanical Garden, the Bloedel Reserve, and Heronswood Nursery. The trip includes seven nights' accommodations in first-class hotels.

Gardens of New Zealand
November 1–19, 2005

Enjoy the beautiful landscapes, stellar private gardens, interesting cities and towns, and natural wonders of New Zealand in spring. Hotel accommodations include stays in Auckland, New Plymouth, Wellington, Christchurch, Mt. Cook, Queenstown, and Dunedin. In addition to outstanding private and public gardens, we'll visit a kauri forest, the Southern Alps, and Milford Sound.

SAVE THE DATE: KIDS GROW EXPO

Friday, April 22

This year, the **Kids Grow Expo** will again partner with Temple University's EarthFest, an outdoor educational festival at Temple's Ambler campus. "The theme for this year's Expo, *Water…works*, is a topic we hope teachers and educators can use to further their students' understanding of the importance of water as a natural resource," says Flossie Narducci, PHS special events manager.

Held on **Friday, April 22** (Earth Day), this event will allow youngsters to celebrate Earth Day with a number of activities and interactive displays related to environmental awareness. There will be educational exhibits, service-learning projects and competitive classes. The Kids Grow Expo is free and open to the public. For more information, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducci@pennhort.org.*

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ONE IN A THOUSAND

Next time you're in the travel section of your favorite book store, take a minute to browse through the best-selling guide-book *1,000 Places to See Before You Die* (Workman Publishing, 2003). On page 700, you'll find the Philadelphia Flower Show listed among other must-see places and events around the world, right up there with the Taj Mahal and the Coliseum. The author, Patricia Schultz, describes this PHS event as "the world's largest indoor floral extravaganza" and says it "transforms every inch of 10 acres of the Convention Center into a fantasy garden of bursting buds and blooming trees." … But we knew that already.

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TreeVitalize aims to restore trees in southeastern PA

Pennsylvania Governor Ed Rendell last spring announced the creation of a new public-private partnership called TreeVitalize, which aims to plant thousands of trees in southeastern Pennsylvania to reverse the rapid disappearance of the region's tree cover (the percentage of land shaded by trees).

To fund this ambitious project, the commonwealth has committed $2 million through the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and an additional $1 million from the Department of Environmental Protection. Additional financial support comes from the William Penn Foundation; Aqua Pennsylvania; the Philadelphia Eagles; the USDA Forest Service; and PECO, an Exelon Company.

Trees are disappearing from southeastern Pennsylvania at an alarming rate. A study by American Forests, a nonprofit conservation organization, found that in the past 15 years the five-county region (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia counties) has lost millions of trees.

Trees provide shade and beauty and so much more. They produce oxygen, temper the summer's heat, help control runoff, reduce noise, filter pollution, create shelter for birds, and generally soften the modern landscape. Their economic benefits are also considerable. Mature trees help cut summer cooling costs and increase property values. The loss of trees threatens our ecological balance, costs money, and erodes the quality of life.

TreeVitalize is a regional collaboration that brings public, private and non-profit organizations together to help restore tree cover over a four-year period. PHS will play a major role as one of a number of non-profit organizations that will carry out the work of TreeVitalize. (See page 5 for a complete list of partners.)

TreeVitalize has three main components. First, it will plant 20,000 shade trees, many of them in 40 neighborhoods in older cities, boroughs, and townships where tree cover is below 25 percent. Second, TreeVitalize will work with regional agencies and organizations to implement "riparian buffer projects," planting trees along streams and near sources of drinking water to help stem erosion and filter stormwater. The third component is a citizen education effort that includes classroom and field training for community residents who want to take an active role in caring for trees.

Governor Rendell announces the creation of TreeVitalize during Arbor Day celebrations last year at Sycamore Park in Lansdowne, Delaware County.

"Our goal is not simply to get trees in the ground," says Patrice Carroll, project director for TreeVitalize, whose office is at PHS. "Our larger goal is to encourage stewardship of our natural resources through education and awareness. We want to ensure that after all these trees are planted, they continue to receive good care."

PHS will expand its Tree Tenders Project—which trains Philadelphia residents to plant and care for street trees—to communities outside the city. It will organize a campaign to encourage the region's residents to plant trees on their properties, offer rebates on trees sold at retail outlets, and, within Philadelphia, will work with the Fairmount Park Commission to plant trees in public spaces throughout the city.

Several neighborhood tree-planting projects took place last fall—in North, South, and West Philadelphia and in Bucks and Chester counties. In one West Philadelphia project, volunteers planted 50 "under-wire" trees to demonstrate that neighborhoods can be enhanced with trees without conflicting with overhead utility lines.

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PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Special Thanks

"I love to teach and I love to get dirty." "I am 18 years old and have a good sense of design … I have volunteered for Habitat for Humanity … at a drug clinic, and setting up for art galleries." These are just a couple of quotes from emails sent to Betty Greene, committee coordinator for the Philadelphia Flower Show, who received some 1,800 emails, letters and phone calls during the past year from wonderful people who offered to volunteer at this year's Show.

To all of you who joined the team of some 3,500 volunteers in March, many, many thanks. To the "stay-at-home mom," to the "upstate New York gardener" who has come to the Show for the past 10 years and decided to volunteer this year, to the "registered nurse in the surgical intensive care unit" of a well-known Washington, DC medical center, who told us she is used to working under the "most stressful situations," we are eternally grateful. The Show works because of you and the different perspectives you bring—whether it's professional expertise or that perfect touch in helping our visitors.

Key to the Show's success is not only the volunteers such as the ones above, who take time out from their regular schedules during March to be with us, but also those who volunteer at PHS throughout the year to help with planning and preparation. The most demanding volunteer job at PHS is to chair the Competitive Classes, and this year, Melinda Moritz will complete her second and final year in that role. Melinda has been a tireless and creative asset for PHS. She led a team of amazing volunteers who do everything from inviting and hosting judges to writing schedules and holding the hands of nervous exhibitors.

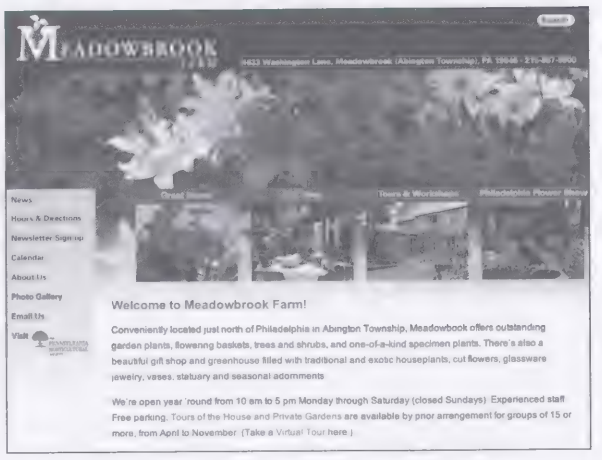
Midge Ingersoll is also finishing a two-year term this spring as chair of the Flower Show Executive Committee. Midge and Melinda are two of the most creative and diplomatic volunteers in our organization. I am pleased to thank them for all they have done for the Philadelphia Flower Show, and I'm happy to know that they will both be involved in substantial ways in future Shows. As the Flower Show grows and changes, our volunteers grow and change with us. That's the beauty of volunteers—they are always up for the next challenge.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

NEW MEADOWBROOK FARM WEBSITE

Next time you're at the computer, take a look at the new website for Meadowbrook Farm, ***www.gotomeadowbrook.com***. With a just a few clicks you can learn about some of the thousands of plants for sale in Meadowbrook's greenhouses, get the scoop on special sales in the gift shop, or take a virtual tour of the house and private gardens. You can also sign up for a free email newsletter that offers gardening tips for indoors and out, request an information packet for group tours, or simply get directions.



When you're ready to start your **spring shopping**, check the Meadowbrook website for special offers and gift ideas for Mother's Day. Look for a wide variety of garden favorites such as pansies, perennials, and annuals.

Located in Abington Township, Meadowbrook Farm is a non-profit affiliate of PHS, and PHS members receive a discount on plant purchases.

CORRECTION

The March "Pepperpot" column referred to support received from the Lumbermens Insurance Company for PHS's Tree Tenders Program. The correct name of the company is **Pennsylvania Lumbermens Mutual Insurance Company**, also known as PLM.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ALICE DOERING

At PHS, people tend to stick around for a while. Alice Doering, for example, is someone who epitomizes the term "long-time volunteer." When asked how she first got involved with PHS, she had to stop and think a moment. "It was more than 20 years ago now," she recalls. "I was attending the 75th anniversary dinner of the Weeders Garden Club, and George Clark—a former president of PHS Council—said to me, 'You really have to get involved' with the Horticultural Society."

So get involved she did. At Clark's suggestion, Alice became a volunteer for the PHS gardener's hotline, now called "Ask a Gardener: Garden Q & A." Housed in the McLean Library, Ask a Gardener is a free service for anyone who needs an answer to a gardening question, and it's staffed by knowledgeable volunteers like Alice who provide answers and information by email or phone (*askagardener@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8777).

Alice is an accomplished gardener with a wealth of experience, which makes her a natural on Ask a Gardener. Still, she says she always double checks any information she gives out. Questions range from the everyday 'how do I keep my amaryllis blooming year after year?' to the more intriguing. Says Alice, "I took a call a few years ago from an author in Texas who was staging a novel in Philadelphia and wanted to know what was in bloom in Philadelphia during certain periods described in her book—what were the colors of the particular flowers, were they fragrant, and how should she spell their names. But with the McLean Library at my fingertips, I'm never stumped."

Over the years, Alice has served on the PHS Council and as chair of the Library Committee (which has since been folded into the Education Services Committee), and for many years, she led Early Morning Tours at the Flower Show. More recently, she has been a member of the Flower Show Competitive Classes Committee as Chair of the Horticultural Judges. "It's a great job," she says with a characteristic wink. "You get to know some of the most wonderful people." She explains that horticultural experts come from all over the country—on their own dime—for the prestige of being a judge at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

For the foreseeable future, Alice will continue to be a friendly, informative voice on Ask a Gardener. "It keeps me sharp," she says, "And it's so exciting to be able to answer someone's question and really be of help." PHS's overall mission is also exciting for this loyal volunteer. "I love helping people one on one," she says, "but being part of the bigger picture of greening in our region is also very rewarding for me."

GETTING A GRIP ON STORMWATER

Philadelphia Green Partners with the Philadelphia Water Department

In cities, especially older cities like Philadelphia with aging infrastructure, water from heavy rain storms can wreak havoc. Often, stormwater overwhelms the city's sewer systems, and the combined overflow of stormwater, waste, and creek water ends up as pollution in our rivers. The ultimate solution, of course, is a brand-new sewer system—a daunting, massively expensive undertaking. But there is a more practical approach. It's called "stormwater management" and it can work hand-in-hand with efforts to create and enhance open space in urban neighborhoods.

In fall 2003, PHS's Philadelphia Green program began a partnership with the Philadelphia Water Department's Office of Watersheds to develop models for stormwater management, utilizing plots of vacant land in North Philadelphia. With funds from the PA Department of Environmental Protection's Growing Greener program, several sites were fitted with shallow trenches and berms that harness rainfall so it can filter naturally back into the ground. (Accumulated water drains away in 24 hours.)

"This new partnership offers important and innovative prototypes for watershed protection by demonstrating how urban community spaces can be designed to manage stormwater," says Howard Neukrug, director of the Office of Watersheds at the Water Department.

Vacant lots are not the only places where Philadelphia Green is putting this innovative approach to use. Philadelphia Green and the Water Department (PWD) are embarking on a pilot project with eight Philadelphia public schools to create schoolyard gardens that incorporate stormwater management components. This project offers an opportunity to create sustainable landscapes that double as learning environments for children. At the Mitchell School in Southwest Philadelphia, for example, PHS is redesigning the concrete-and-asphalt schoolyard to incorporate trees, a bio-swale (a planting of water-loving plants), a rain garden, and a natural amphitheater. Cahill Associates, a leading environmental consulting firm, is providing technical assistance.

Photo: Lisa McDonald Hantes

This vacant lot at 8th & Norris Streets in North Philadelphia, formerly covered with debris, is now part of the stormwater management program. The land has been graded using channels and detention basins to help keep water on the site, and soil ammendments were added to improve water infiltration. Finally, native plants help stabilize the soil, absorb water, and release moisture back into the air, completing the natural water cycle. As a bonus, the plants are popular with birds.

What's next for this partnership? The Water Department has hired Philadelphia Green to implement a series of demonstration projects this spring, including sites in West Philadelphia, East Falls, and South Philadelphia. Philadelphia Green will provide landscape design, community organizing, and horticultural training.

Philadelphia Green director Maitreyi Roy says the collaboration has been "a perfect fit" for both organizations. "The Water Department brings its technical and engineering know-how to the project, while Philadelphia Green offers expertise in greening and landscaping, as well as education initiatives and community organizing experience," she says. Philadelphia Green and PWD will join forces to apply for a second round of Growing Greener funds from the Commonwealth to continue this work.

INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION TO FOCUS ON PHILADELPHIA'S VACANT LAND

Philadelphia's 40,000 neglected, vacant lots are a manifestation of the blight that creeps in when urban areas are drained of jobs and residents.

Recognizing that vacant land is also fertile ground for change and renewal, the Philadelphia-based City Parks Association has brought together key partners—PHS, The Reinvestment Fund, and the Pennsylvania Environmental Council—to collaborate on an international design competition called ***Philadelphia Land Visions.***

"This competition will generate new thinking about the future of Philadelphia's vacant land," says Deenah Loeb, co-chair of the City Parks Association. "It will focus on creating a vision for Philadelphia that takes an ecological approach, looking at the city's land and water as valuable resources."

The first step will be to solicit input from a broad range of Philadelphia residents in an interactive visioning process—"Our Voices, Our Future." With extensive experience in community empowerment through its Philadelphia Green program, PHS will manage this phase of the project. The visioning sessions will include innovative techniques such as digital imaging and keypad polling, allowing participants to give immediate feedback. Community feedback will then be included in materials sent to everyone who enters the competition.

"We want to make sure that everyone has a chance to share his or her vision for their community," says Blaine Bonham Jr., executive vice president of PHS.

Funding for the project comes from the Philadelphia Office of Housing and Community Development, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Samuel S. Fels Fund. Technical assistance will be provided by the Van Alen Institute, a New York-based design competition management organization, and PlaceMatters.com, a community planning and decision-making consulting firm.

The first community forum, which is open to the public, will be held on May 5, 4 – 8 pm. At press time, the location had not been confirmed, so please call PHS at 215-988-8800 for more information, or check the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, for updates.

SPRING HAPPENINGS AT PHS

Spring is here, so let the gardening begin! PHS offers plenty of activities to get you in the mood for growing and greening.

Don't miss the **2005 Kids Grow Expo** on **Friday, April 22 (Earth Day)**. The Kids Grow Expo will again be held in partnership with **Temple University's EarthFest**, an outdoor educational festival at Temple's Ambler campus. This year's theme is *Water…works*. The all-day event includes educational exhibits, service-learning projects, and competitive classes. Kids Grow Expo is free and open to the public. For information and directions, please visit our website *www.pennsylvaniahorituculturalsociety.org*, or contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducc@pennhort.org*.

City residents: Join your neighbors to help give your local park a spring cleaning and show your support for community greening. Philadelphia Green's seventh annual **Spring into Your Park** event will be held on **Saturday, May 7**. To find a park near you where you can help, please contact Kim Massare at 215-988-1611 or *kmassare@pennhort.org*.

Celebrate the arrival of spring among hundreds of spring-blooming shrubs at the **Azalea Garden Party** on **Thursday, May 12, 5:30 – 8:00 pm**. This annual celebration raises funds for year-round maintenance of this lovely, four-acre garden, located in Fairmount Park just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Join us for an evening of food, fun, and activities and help support the garden. For information, please contact Ellen Wheeler at 215-988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*.

The Azalea Garden

Help beautify Philadelphia's City Hall at the annual **City Hall in Bloom** event, scheduled for **Tuesday, May 17**. To sign up for this volunteer planting day, or for more information, please contact Joan Kapczynski at 215-988-8865 or *jkapczynski@pennhort.org*.

You can also lend your gardening hands to **help beautify other public sites** in Center City Philadelphia, including the Azalea Garden, the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, historic Eastern State Penitentiary, and other sites. Volunteers meet monthly. If you'd like to help out, please contact Joan Kapczynski at 215-988-8865 or *jkapczynski@pennhort.org*.

Need new ideas for your garden? Attend one or two of PHS's **educational activities**. Browse the calendar on the PHS website, or see pages 6 and 7 for information on upcoming programs.

And be sure to mark your calendar for the annual **PHS Spring Garden Visits**. See page 7 for details.

Photos by John Gannon

Kids Grow Expo, 2004

Volunteers at work at the 2004 City Hall in Bloom event.

GREEN SCENE MAGAZINE ANNOUNCES PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Are you a budding garden photographer? Would you like to see your work on the pages of *Green Scene* magazine? If so, PHS invites you to enter its ***Green Scene* Garden Photo Contest**, sponsored by Ritz Camera and Fujifilm USA. Prizes include a digital camera kit, film packages, single-use cameras, PHS memberships and more. Winning photos will be published in the December 2005 issue of *Green Scene* magazine and on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

The contest judges are looking for superb images that capture the beauty of gardening and create a sense of community through horticulture. Specifically, plant portraits and close-ups, garden views, and people in the garden are all ideal subject choices.

Photos can be shot in any format, but **must be submitted as 4 x 6 or 5 x 7-inch prints**. No submissions by email or on CD will be accepted. **The deadline for entries is August 1, 2005**.

For more entry information, official contest rules, and submission requirements, please see the April issue of *Green Scene* or visit the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. You can also email *greenscene@pennhort.org*.

GREEN scene FUJIFILM RITZ CAMERA & IMAGE

Photos by John Gannon

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TRAVEL WITH PHS IN 2005

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society offers exciting tours in the U.S. and abroad to visit outstanding private and public gardens. The following trips for 2005 have some spaces available. You can find itineraries on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org/events/garden_trips.html*. For a hard copy of the itineraries, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens in Seattle and Portland June 15–22, 2005

Visit splendid private gardens, from small city spaces to lush suburban landscapes, plus public gardens, including the Japanese Garden, Portland Classical Chinese Garden, Bellevue Botanical Garden, the Bloedel Reserve, and Heronswood Nursery. The trip includes seven nights' accommodations in first-class hotels.

Gardens of New Zealand November 1–19, 2005

Enjoy the beautiful landscapes, stellar private gardens, interesting cities and towns, and natural wonders of New Zealand in spring. Hotel accommodations include stays in Auckland, New Plymouth, Wellington, Christchurch, Mt. Cook, Queenstown, and Dunedin. In addition to outstanding private and public gardens, we'll visit a kauri forest, the Southern Alps, and Milford Sound.

If you would like to be included on the mailing list for future travel adventures with PHS, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

TREEVITALIZE *continued from page 1*

To find out how you can participate in the program and be eligible for a rebate for a tree purchased this spring, please visit the TreeVitalize website, *www.treevitalize.net*, or contact Patrice Carroll at 215-988-8874 or *pcarroll@pennhort.org*. You can also check the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, and watch future issues of *PHS News* for updates.

Tree Tenders Workshop Dates

Philadelphia

Location: PHS, 100 N. 20th St.
Wednesday evenings, April 27, May 4, 11, 5:45 – 8:45 pm
Saturday, May 7, 10 am – 2 pm, at Clark Park, West Philadelphia
For more information, please contact Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844 or *mmaslin@pennhort.org*

Suburban Training Dates

For times and locations, please contact Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844 or *mmaslin@pennhort.org*
Montgomery County: May 19, 26, June 1
Bucks County: June 16, 23, 30

TreeVitalize Partners

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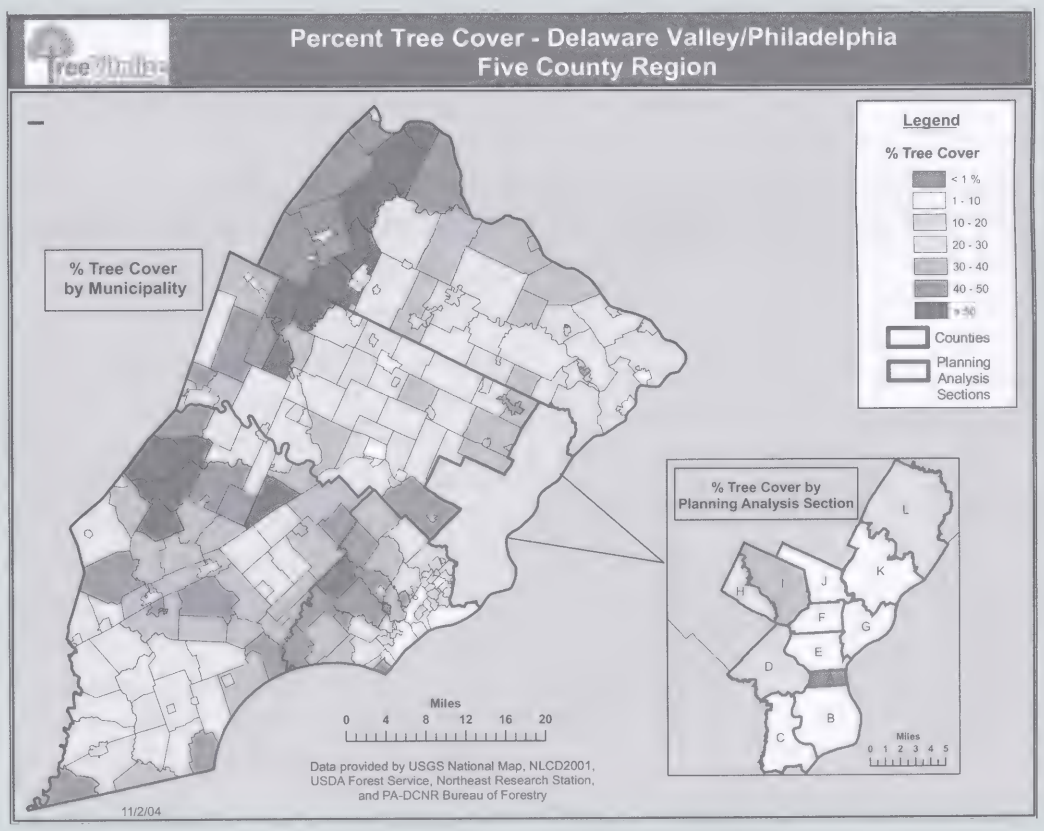
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IRIS BROWN RECEIVES INTERNATIONAL AWARD

Iris Brown, chair of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board and a member of the PHS Council and Education Services Committee, has received the *Terre de Femmes* (Women of the Earth) Award from the Yves Rocher Foundation.

The Yves Rocher Foundation, based in France, is the charitable arm of the Yves Rocher beauty company. It established the award in 2001, but this is the first time it is presenting the prize in the United States.

For about 15 years, Iris Brown has been creating community gardens in her Norris Square neighborhood in North Philadelphia. A staff member of the Norris Square Neighborhood Project, Iris helps run programs for children and their families, using the thriving Norris Square gardens to help preserve and share the neighborhood's Puerto Rican heritage and traditional culture.

Iris and two other American prize winners were invited to Paris to receive the award and participate in the *Terre de Femmes* International Ceremony, which took place on International Women's Day, March 8.

PROGRAMS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

WALK: SPRING BULBS
Wednesday, April 13, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

This garden walk and classroom discussion/slide lecture will explore those cheerful harbingers of spring, "Dutch" bulbs. Chanticleer horticulturist **Robert Herald** will focus on the most important spring-blooming bulbs—those that are truly perennial and that naturalize. He will review their identification, garden culture, landscape uses and sources. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS
Wednesday, April 27, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Chanticleer horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will discuss all aspects of pruning and demonstrate basic pruning techniques for small trees and shrubs. Using the grounds of Chanticleer as a classroom, he will focus on practical information for the home gardener, including reasons for pruning and proper tools. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WALK: SHADE GARDENING
Thursday, May 5, 6 – 8 pm

Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she explores plants growing in varying degrees of shade. As she leads us through Chanticleer's Asian Woodlands, the native streamside garden, and the woodland adjacent to the ruin, Lisa will point out plants suited for moist and dry situations. Soil preparation, plant selection, maintenance and dynamic plant combinations will also be discussed. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WALK: SPRING WILDFLOWERS
Tuesday, May 10, 6 – 8 pm

The natural areas of Chanticleer are abundant with delights in May. Horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will highlight spring wildflowers at their peak and discuss how you can use them in your own garden. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

WORKSHOP: PROPAGATING FERNS FROM SPORES
Wednesday, April 6, 10 am – noon

Horticulturist and frequent Flower Show blue ribbon winner **Virginia Page-Hentschel**, of Meadowbrook Farm, will cover everything you need to know about this fascinating, specialized form of plant propagation. Topics will include how to identify and collect spores, the proper medium and conditions for sowing the spores, and optimum conditions as your ferns grow. **Limit: 20. Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: TROUGH PLANTING
Saturday, April 16, 1 – 3 pm

A trough garden resembles a miniature world, with seasonal changes and lots of plant variety in a space small enough to fit onto your patio. In this class, taught by rock garden expert **Bernard Pettit**, you will plant a pre-fabricated trough with a range of sun-loving, miniature perennial and woody plants that thrive in the loose, well-drained soil of the trough. Bernard will share tips for taking care of your garden throughout the season. **Limit: 15. Fee: $125 members, $135 non-members.**

WALK: NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE
Tuesday, April 19, 10 am – noon

Native plant enthusiast and Meadowbrook Farm perennial grower **Karl Rider** will introduce and discuss many aspects of gardening with native plants, including underused natives, native replacements for exotic plants, and natives to use for difficult conditions in your own garden. The program includes a tour of Meadowbrook's naturalized areas. **Limit: 25. Fee: $15 members, $20 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: MAKING A SUCCULENT WREATH
Thursday, April 21, 10 am – noon

Impress your friends and family with the charming living wreath you will design and create in this workshop. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will demonstrate how to create a living wreath with a variety of small succulent plants. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss and then plant the succulents around the wreath. The finished product, which should be hardy enough to survive our winters, can be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or a decoration for your garden gate. **Limit: 20. Fee: $50 members, $55 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

SPRING AND SUMMER BIRDS OF THE CITY AND SUBURBAN GARDEN
Wednesday, May 11, 10 am – noon
The Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia

Birds add color, motion and music to your garden; invite them in! Join **Dr. Aliza Baltz**, curator of birds at the Philadelphia Zoo, and **Marty Kromer**, curator of horticulture, for a presentation on the spring and summer birds of city and suburban gardens. The program begins indoors with a PowerPoint presentation, as Aliza discusses which birds you can expect to stay on in your garden for the warm seasons. Then we will tour the Zoo, where Marty will recommend plants that provide the best bird habitat and food sources. Registration includes admission and parking at the Zoo. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

GROWING HARDY TROPICALS IN THE DELAWARE VALLEY
Thursday, May 26, 10 am – noon
Triple Oaks Nursery & Herb Garden, Franklinville, NJ

That's right—hardy tropicals for our climate! **Joe Kiefer**, owner of Triple Oaks Nursery, will open up a whole new gardening world as he unveils cold-hardy tropical plants we can grow outdoors all year in the Delaware Valley. The program will begin with a slide show featuring diverse tropical plants, suggestions for how to landscape with them, winter protection, and propagation. Then we'll have a guided tour of Triple Oaks Nursery's trial gardens, where many of these plants grow, including hardy bananas, palms, callas, *eucalyptus*, *yuccas* and much more. Fee includes a hardy bloodleaf banana plant, *Musa sikkemensis* 'Red Tiger', to grow in your garden. **Limit: 20. Fee: $40 members, $45 non-members.**

CLASS

DESIGNING A KNOCKOUT PERENNIAL BORDER
Three Wednesdays, May 18, 25; June 1, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS Auditorium; Temple Ambler Campus

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.pennclasses.org*.

Large or small, in sun or shade, a well-designed perennial border can enhance your garden from late spring until the fall frost with a symphony of colors, textures, lines and fragrances—selected and blended by you.

In the first two sessions of this class, **Stephanie Cohen** will cover the basics of perennial garden design, including choosing the best site, planting and maintenance tips, and selecting perennials that are proven winners for sun or shade. She'll also teach you the mechanics of drawing a plan to scale, which you can bring to life in your own garden. The third session will meet at Temple University's Ambler Campus to tour the long perennial borders Stephanie has designed there. Fee includes Stephanie's new book, which will be published in the spring. **Limit 30. Fee: $175 for PHS members, $200 for non-members.**

Stephanie Cohen has taught classes on herbaceous plants and perennial design at Temple University for more than 20 years. She is currently director of the landscape arboretum at Temple University, Ambler. An occasional writer for *Green Scene*, she is a contributing editor for *Country Living Gardener*, a writer for *Fine Gardening*, and

a regional writer for the Blooms of Bressingham Plant Program. She has received awards from the Perennial Plant Association, Temple University, PHS, and the American Nursery and Landscape Association. She has appeared on QVC TV as the "Perennial Diva."

BUS TRIP: WASHINGTON, DC

Tuesday, May 24, 7 am – 8 pm (approximately)
Coach leaves from PHS, 20th and Arch Streets, and the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park.

Our coach tour will visit three horticultural treasures in the Washington area. We begin with a guided tour of **Dumbarton Oaks**, designed in the 1920s by noted landscape gardener Beatrix Farrand with her clients Mildred and Robert Woods Bliss. The formal gardens cover ten hilly acres and include outdoor rooms, the Pebble Garden, an open air theater, dramatic herbaceous borders and much more. After a boxed lunch in an adjacent park, we will visit **River Farm** in Alexandria, Virginia, George Washington's farm and current headquarters of the American Horticultural Society (home of the White House gates that were displayed at the Flower Show this year). We will end the day at the **National Cathedral**, where we will have a guided tour of the cathedral and its extraordinary stained-glass windows. (The Cathedral's celebrated flower guild also exhibited at this year's Flower Show.) Fee includes coach, boxed lunch, snacks, and guided tours. **Limit: 40. Fee: $90 members, $100 non-members.**

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Member/non-member*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
☐ Spring Bulbs Walk	4/13	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Pruning Small Trees and Shrubs Workshop	4/27	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Shade Gardening Walk	5/5	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Spring Wildflower Walk	5/10	Fee: $18/$23	_____	_____
☐ Propagating Ferns From Spores Workshop	4/6	Fee: $30/$35	_____	_____
☐ Trough Planting Workshop	4/16	Fee: $125/$135	_____	_____
☐ Native Plants in Your Landscape Walk	4/19	Fee: $15/$20	_____	_____
☐ Making a Succulent Wreath Workshop	4/21	Fee: $50/$55	_____	_____
☐ Spring and Summer Birds	5/11	Fee: $20/$25	_____	_____
☐ Growing Hardy Tropicals	5/26	Fee: $40/$45	_____	_____
Designing a Knockout Perennial Border		*Please see class description for registration info.*		
☐ Washington, DC Bus Trip	5/24	Fee: $90/$100	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Lower Main Line	5/8	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: French Creek/Upper Chester Co.	5/22	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
☐ Garden Visits: Trenton	6/12	Fee: $10/$25	_____	_____
			TOTAL:	**$**_____

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

email: _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed. **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

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Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

PHS SPRING GARDEN VISITS

This year's Garden Visits will spotlight exceptional private gardens in the **Lower Main Line** area (May 8), **French Creek/Upper Chester County** (May 22), and the **Trenton** area (June 12) from noon to 5 pm. Read about one of the French Creek gardens in the April issue of *Green Scene*. **Fee (for each date): $10 members, $25 non-members.**

Volunteers Needed

Volunteer shifts run from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm and from 2 to 5 pm. Jobs include greeting attendees, directing parking, and directing visitors in the garden. Training will be provided. You may also visit the other gardens during the shift you are not working. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

URBAN OASES: THE GARDENS OF WEST PHILADELPHIA

May 14, 10 am – 1 pm

Squeezed between row houses, plotted on corner lots and tucked in city parks, the amazingly beautiful community gardens of West Philly will amaze you! **The Greater Philadelphia Tourism Marketing Corporation** and **PHS** are partnering to bring you this special tour, where you can meet some of the residents who work together to beautify their community through gardening. This is a wonderful opportunity for PHS members to visit some of Philadelphia Green's garden sites.

The trolley tour departs from the Independence Visitor Center, 6th & Market Streets, Philadelphia. **To make a reservation, please call 215-599-2295 or email *ntn@gophila.com*. Fee: $25 PHS members; $30 non-members.**

Aspen Farms, an award-winning community garden in West Philadelphia, will be included on the tour.

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FLOWER SHOW VIDEO NOW ON DVD

If you missed the 2005 Philadelphia Flower Show, or if you just want to experience the Show again, you can now enjoy it on DVD. As an added bonus, the DVD also includes the 2004 Show. You can even order it online! Just visit the Flower Show website, *www.theflowershow.com*. Video cassettes of the 2005 Show are also available.

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MEMBERS, HELP US REACH OUR GOAL PLANT A TREE TODAY!

In the April *PHS News*, we told you about **TreeVitalize**, a new public-private partnership—initiated by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources—that aims to plant 20,000 trees in southeastern Pennsylvania. PHS is a leading partner in this effort to restore our region's tree cover (the percentage of land shaded by trees), and PHS members have a vital role to play. You can help by pledging to plant a tree in your local community or on your own property. You can also sign up to become a trained "TreeVitalizer."

Take the TreeVitalize Pledge

PHS invites you to join the effort to plant 1,000 trees this spring in the five-county Philadelphia region—and receive cash back on your tree purchase. **Purchase and plant one or more of the first 1,000 trees by June 30, and you can receive a rebate from PHS of 25%—up to $25—on the cost of each tree.** Trees must be planted in Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties.

To participate, please fill out and return the pledge card and follow the instructions below, or pledge online at PHS's website. For more information, please call 215-988-8800 or visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

TreeVitalize Pledge

Name .....

Address .....

City .....

State ..... Zip .....

Email .....

Phone .....

I pledge to purchase a tree between April 1 and June 30, 2005 and plant it in southeastern Pennsylvania (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia Counties). I understand that by pledging to plant a tree, I am contributing to the recovery of the tree canopy in the region. I agree to be contacted by the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society to verify my pledge.

Return to: PHS TreeVitalize Pledge, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia PA 19103

Proof of Planting Rebate

Members planting the first 1,000 trees (shrubs do not qualify) can qualify for the rebate. Please send in a sales receipt for a purchased tree as a "Proof of Planting." Mail receipts to:

PHS, Proof of Planting Rebate
100 N. 20th Street, 5th floor
Philadelphia PA 19103

Sales receipt must be dated April 1 through June 30, 2005. Receipt must clearly show that you have purchased a tree and state the dollar amount paid. Merchant validation is acceptable. No confirmations will be sent. Rebates are limited to one per household, but the rebate can be for more than one tree. Rebates will be issued by PHS four to six weeks following receipt of your "Proof of Planting." Merchants are not responsible for any rebate or related promotion.

Become a "TreeVitalizer"

As part of TreeVitalize, PHS, in partnership with Penn State Cooperative Extension, will offer nine hours of hands-on tree-care training for residents of the five-county Philadelphia region. Based on PHS's city-based Tree Tenders project, the training will cover tree biology, identification, planting, proper care, and working within your community. The TreeVitalizer training is designed for lay people and experts alike. The course is offered on weekday evenings at two locations this spring. Pre-registration is required, and there is a $12 per person fee for the three-part series.

Montgomery County:
May 19, 26, and June 1, 6 – 9 pm
Curtis Arboretum, Greenwood Ave., Wyncote, PA

Bucks County:
June 16, 23 and 30, 6 – 9 pm
Silver Lake Nature Center, Bristol, PA

An additional training will be held in **Delaware County** in fall 2005. For more information on all sessions or to register, please contact Julianne Schieffer at 610-489-4315, *jxs51@psu.edu*, or Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844, *mmaslin@pennhort.org*.

Hal Rosner of Bartlett Tree Experts works with a group of Tree Tenders planting trees in West Philadelphia.

TreeVitalize
A partnership to restore tree cover in Southeast PA
www.treevitalize.net

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PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Spring Delights

As I write this during the first days of April, the wind is raging and it's "bucketing down," as they are wont to say in my native Scotland. My front walk is under water for the umpteenth time in the past 12 months, and there have certainly been few opportunities to live up to that goal of getting peas into the ground by St. Patrick's Day. However, I am confident that by the time this edition of the *News* hits your mailboxes, we will be enjoying all the wonderful benefits of spring in Philadelphia.

And with spring comes a bucketful of wonderful PHS activities. Old hands know the pleasure of **garden visits**, delightful spring Sunday afternoons when members open their gardens to members and their guests. Even if it's pouring rain, these events present the occasion to not only see very interesting gardens, but also to meet some of the Greater Philadelphia Region's best gardeners (and nicest people). Take advantage of this year's garden visits on May 8, 22, and June 12. See page 7 for details.

Also available to PHS members is **complimentary admission to Chanticleer**, one of our region's most beautiful gardens. At Chanticleer, you will find displays of shrubs, roses and perennials that will make you want one of everything. The plants are unusual, the maintenance nothing but the best, and the staff very well-informed and helpful. There are also several **educational programs** taking place at Chanticleer this spring. See pages 6 and 7.

Walks and workshops will also be offered for PHS members this spring at **Meadowbrook Farm** (also listed on pages 6 and 7), but above all, take the opportunity to shop at Meadowbrook, now an affiliate of PHS. Meadowbrook has a newly designed sales yard and loads of spectacular offerings for every gardener. Plus, PHS members receive 10% off garden plants. For spring specials, go to PHS's website and link to Meadowbrook or click directly onto *www.gotomeadowbrook.com*.

And finally, back by popular demand is a **bus trip**, this time to Washington, DC to visit Dumbarton Oaks, the American Horticultural Society's Headquarters, and the National Cathedral, where members of the Flower Guild, who produced a beautiful exhibit for the '05 Philadelphia Flower Show, will host the group.

Happy Spring!

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

GARDEN LIBRARIANS TO MEET IN PHILADELPHIA

The PHS McLean Library will host the 37th annual meeting of the **Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries (CBHL)** from June 7 through 10, 2005. With the theme "The Philadelphia Story," the three-day program includes a keynote address by food historian William Woys Weaver, who will speak on Philadelphia's contributions to the world of heirloom vegetables. The schedule also includes a panel on archives in garden libraries, a session on library digitization, and a workshop on how to lead a book discussion. There will also be study tours of some of the region's exceptional gardens, archives, and museums, including the Hagley Museum and Library, the Academy of Natural Sciences, Longwood Gardens, *Las Parcelas* community garden in North Philadelphia, Historic Bartram's Garden, and Chanticleer.

Area librarians and book-loving gardeners are invited to attend. For more information or to register, please visit CBHL's web site, *www.cbhl.net*, email *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*, or call 215-988-8782.

The Council on Botanical and Horticultural Libraries is the leading professional organization in the field of botanical and horticultural information services. It recognizes the critical importance of collecting, preserving, and making accessible the accumulated knowledge about plants for present and future generations. To learn more, visit *www.cbhl.net*.

SHOPPING EVENTS FOR PHS MEMBERS

PHS is pleased to announce three special **spring shopping events** for members. If you are taking advantage of the TreeVitalize offer for a cash rebate on a tree purchased this spring (please see page 1), you may also receive the members' discount for increased savings. All three garden centers offer a full range of plants, accessories, tools and supplies.

Friday, May 13, 4 – 8 pm
Gateway Garden Center
7277 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, Delaware
302-239-2727, *www.gatewaygardens.com*
Special promotions, plus a 10% discount on all purchases (some restrictions may apply).

Saturday, May 21, 9 am – 4 pm
Primex Garden Center
435 W. Glenside Avenue
215-887-7500, *www.PrimexGardenCenter.com*
10% discount on entire purchase.

Wednesday, June 8, 4 – 8 pm
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries
US Route 1, Concordville
610-459-2400, *www.styers.com*
20% discount off all plants plus special promotions on other selected items.

Check the membership section of the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, for updates on other PHS Member benefits.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: MARGARET SADLER

For volunteer Margaret Sadler, PHS is "a very good fit." A human resources professional who now has a high-level position at FMC Corporation, a leading international chemical company, Margaret was tapped by Jane Pepper about six years ago to serve on the PHS Human Resources Committee. Margaret, along with Jane, serves on the board of the Forum of Executive Women, a regional organization for professional women.

"It falls right in line with what I've been doing in my professional career," says Margaret, who also serves on the PHS Council and the Executive Committee. "It's nice to be able to share your knowledge, especially with an organization as fine as PHS."

Now chair of the Human Resources Committee, Margaret sees her role as that of an "outside voice" that helps make sure PHS offers a good work environment for its employees while doing what's best for the organization. "It's not a difficult job," she says, "since PHS is such a caring organization."

Margaret's involvement with PHS is a good fit in other ways as well. A lifelong plant lover, she describes herself as someone who is "always in the garden, playing in the dirt." An Ohio native, she earned certification as a Master Gardener while living in Minnesota.

When a job promotion required her and her husband to relocate to Philadelphia, she says the first thing she thought of was the Philadelphia Flower Show. "My husband grew up in Philadelphia, and he said he would love to go back," she recalls. "But the first words out of my mouth were 'Now I can go to the Flower Show!'"

LOGAN SQUARE LANDSCAPE PROJECT MOVES FORWARD

Last spring, The Pew Charitable Trusts awarded a $750,000 grant to PHS to renovate the landscape within the Logan traffic circle, the centerpiece of Logan Square, located between 18th and 20th Streets along the Benjamin Franklin Parkway in Center City Philadelphia. PHS will manage the project, working in partnership with the Fairmount Park Commission; the Parkway Council Foundation, a coalition of institutional neighbors along the Parkway; and the Center City District. The renovation of Logan Square is considered the first step in a long-term effort to revitalize the landscapes along the entire length of the Benjamin Franklin Parkway and to make the area more pedestrian friendly.

During the past year, the local design firm Olin Partnership devised a plan for Logan Square. The new design is inspired by the "three rivers" theme in Alexander Stirling Calder's Swann Memorial Fountain at the center of the traffic circle. The plan includes arcs of flower beds, shrubs, and groundcovers surrounding the lawns, emphasized by low-growing hedges. It also calls for new benches, repair of the gravel walkways, and a smaller perimeter sidewalk. The design has won preliminary approval from the Fairmount Park Commission, which owns the land, and the Philadelphia Art Commission (the city's design review board).

Olin Partnership

Perspective drawing of proposed landscape

The new design calls for replacement of the 12 empress trees (*Paulownia tomentosa*) that encircle the Swann fountain. Because these trees are a signature element of the site, PHS hired a consultant from the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania to carefully assess their condition prior to making this determination.

"What our consultant found, unfortunately, is that only two of the 12 trees are in good health," explains Nancy O'Donnell, associate director of Philadelphia Green. "Eight of the trees have structural or disease problems, and two more need drastic pruning. If we were to leave the two healthy trees in place, they could be damaged during construction. So, in light of these, as well as aesthetic, considerations we decided to start fresh with a planting of 12 new empress trees."

The new empress trees will be grown and donated by Longwood Gardens, whose recent renovation of its own *Paulownia* allé was highly successful.

Olin Partnership

Proposed landscape plan for Logan Square traffic circle

PHILADELPHIA GREEN CITY GARDENING SERIES

The City Gardening Series will present several workshops during the months of May and June, held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. These workshops are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming events, please browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, or contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or *citygardening@pennhort.org*.

2005 CITY GARDENS CONTEST ENTRANTS AND VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Since 1975, the PHS City Gardens Contest has celebrated the efforts of city gardeners who have transformed backyards and urban lots into flowering green havens. The City Gardens Contest continues to attract entries of all sizes and types, from tiny tucked-away spaces to enormous community gardens. The contest is open to Philadelphia residents and is judged each July by volunteers.

To enter your garden, please complete and return the form at right by June 10, 2005. Winners receive $50, $25, and $10 gift certificates, as well as a one-year membership in The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.

To volunteer as a judge or for more information, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *specialevents@pennhort.org*. (Note: you do not have to be a Philadelphia resident to volunteer as a judge.)

City Gardens Contest Entry Form

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Name:_____

Address: _____

Address of garden: _____

Home phone:_____ Work phone: _____

Email:_____

Check appropriate category:

Individual Gardens

- ☐ Individual Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Flower Garden
- ☐ Combination Flower/Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Container Garden
- ☐ Child's Garden

Community Gardens

- ☐ Community Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Community Flower/Sitting Garden
- ☐ Combination Vegetable/Flower Garden
- ☐ Children's Garden
- ☐ "Garden Block" with window boxes and sidewalk planters
- ☐ "The Greenest Block in Town" (street trees/front yards)

Return to: PHS, City Gardens Contest, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103

2005 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

CENTRAL FEATURE AWARDS

American Horticultural Society, "White House Gates"
Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc. "Gateway to America, Country Casual, Suburban Soiree, and City Chic"
Bartlett Tree Experts and National Arbor Day Foundation, "Tree House, USA"
Washington National Cathedral, "For All Occasions"

PNC PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD

Lamsback Floral Decorators, "Artist's Palette"

THE KATE AND ROBERT BARTLETT, JR. AWARD

(Best use of trees in a landscape)

Stoney Bank Nurseries

MAJOR EXHIBITOR AWARDS

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for the Best in Show

Landscape: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.
Floral Design: Lamsback Floral Decorators
By Invitation: Meadowbrook Farm
Academic Educational: Temple University Ambler College
Nonacademic Educational: Zoological Society of Philadelphia
Plant Societies: North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter

The Best Achievement Awards

Landscape:
Display of Spring-Blooming Bulbs: Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists
Serene Garden Setting: J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc.
Integration of Color and Texture: Daniel G. Kepich & Associates
Lush Woodland Setting: Stoney Bank Nurseries
Innovative Design: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.

Floral Design:
Use of Color in a Garden Party Setting: Michael Bruce Florist
Creating a Unique Setting: Flowers by David
Interpretation of a Historic Theme: Haddonfield Floral Company
Party Design: Lamsback Floral Decorators
Dramatic Use of Color: Robertson's Flowers
An Exuberant Child's Garden: Jamie Rothstein
Enchanting Setting for a Wedding: The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

By Invitation:
Best Use of Hardscaping: EP Henry Corp.
Design for a Formal Garden: Meadowbrook Farm
Use of Water in the Landscape: Ponds & Gardens of Limekiln
Best Depiction of a Natural Area: Stephens Garden Creations, Inc.
Creation of a Tropical Paradise: Waldor Orchids

The PHS Award of Merit for an Outstanding Exhibit

Academic Educational: The Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades
Nonacademic Educational: Philadelphia Water Department
Plant Societies: Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society

The Philadelphia Flower Show Award for an Exhibit of Distinction

Academic Educational
Camden County Technical School, Pennsauken Campus
Delaware Valley College, Department of Ornamental Horticulture and Environmental Design
Horticulture Academy at Abraham Lincoln High School
W.B. Saul High School of Agricultural Sciences

Nonacademic Educational
U.S. EPA Region III

Plant Societies
African Violet Society of Philadelphia
American Ivy Society
American Rhododendron Society, Greater Philadelphia Chapter
Delaware Valley Fern and Wildflower Society

The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. Silver Trophy

Stoney Bank Nurseries

Alfred M. Campbell Memorial Trophy

J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.

The Mayor's Trophy

J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc.

The Governor's Trophy

EP Henry Corp.

The Philadelphia Trophy

Michael Bruce Florist

The PHS Council Trophy

The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

Penn Valley Garden Club Trophy (Gardens)

Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia

PHS Trophy (Entryways)

Moorestown Garden Club

PHS Trophy (Container Displays)

Atlock Farm Group

Chicago Horticultural Society Flower Show Medal

Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists

The Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association Trophies

Entryway: Moorestown Garden Club
Garden: Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia

Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal

Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia

The American Horticultural Society Citation

Stoney Bank Nurseries

Bulkley Medal of the Garden Club of America

The Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades

Special Achievement Awards of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania

1,000 sq. ft. and over
Conservation: Stoney Bank Nurseries
Education: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.
Horticulture: EP Henry Corp.

Under 1,000 sq. ft.
Conservation: Philadelphia Water Department
Education: The Williamson Free School of Mechanical Trades
Horticulture: Temple University Ambler College

Men's Garden Club of Delaware Valley Trophy

University of Delaware Merrie Stems

Society of American Florists Flower Show Award

Lamsback Floral Decorators

The Phyllis M. Craig Award

The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

HORTICULTURE AWARDS

The PHS Ribbon—Best of Day, 1 Variety

Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Friday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

The PHS Ribbon—Best of Day, 2 Varieties

Saturday: Bernard Pettit
Tuesday: Irene Sobotincic
Friday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

PHS Orchid Award

Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton for *Dendrobium kingianum*

The Emile H. Geschick Memorial Award

Parkside Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Trophy

Waldor Orchids
Parkside Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Awards

Walter Off (twice)

Philadelphia Unit, Herb Society of America Inc. Award

Saturday: Joan Harvey, Margaret P. Bowditch, Roots Community Garden
Tuesday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton, Ray Rogers
Friday: Diana S. Wister (twice), Ray Rogers

The Doretta Klaber Award

Lee Morris Raden for *Lewisia* 'Ashwood Yellow'

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Ribbons

Class #'s:
2340 – Jane Grushow
2345 – Stephen Maciejewski
2347 – Ginny Friedman
2350 – Stephen Maciejewski
2355 – Lee Morris Raden
2360 – Bernard Pettit
2365 – Ellen Smith
2790 – Jane Grushow
2800 – Beverley Rowland
3340 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3345 – Mary Ann Bursich
3347 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3350 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3355 – Lee Morris Raden
3360 – Clifton West & John Ray
3365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
3860 – Betty Toland
4320 – Ann Rosenberg
4325 – Margaret P. Bowditch
4330 – Stephen Maciejewski
4340 – Bernard Pettit
4345 – Lee Morris Raden
4347 – Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
4350 – Stephen Maciejewski
4355 – Jane Grushow
4360 – Ann & Richard Rosenberg
4365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
4790 – Lee Morris Raden
4810 – Scott Kutzner

Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Ribbons (*Narcissus* Classes)

Saturday: Cynthia Larsen
Tuesday: Lemuel Vaughan
Friday: Margot Belyea

PHS Ribbon (Bulb Section)

Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Bill Thaller
Friday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

2005 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

The Doretta Klaber Chapter of the American Primrose Society Award
Class #'s:
2320 – Ann Rosenberg
2325 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3320 – Ann Rosenberg
3325 – Mary Ann Bursich
4320 – Ann Rosenberg
4325 – Margaret P. Bowditch

Far Out Cactus Trophy
Ray Rogers for *Sinningia leucotricha*

Meadowbrook Farm Indoor Gardening Trophy
Atlock Farm Group

The Edith Wilder Scott Award
Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton for *Breynia nivosa*

Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society Ribbon
Class #'s:
155A – Atlock Farm Group
2205 – Dr. Gerald Barad
2212 – Sylvia R. Lin
2225 – Dr. Gerald Barad
2410 – Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
3202 – Dr. Gerald Barad
3205 – Dr. Gerald Barad
3212 – Dr. Gerald Barad
3245 – Sylvia R. Lin
4202 – Dr. Gerald Barad
4212 – Ray Rogers
4220 – Carla Pomponi
4235 – John Story

The Susie Walker Award for an Outstanding Begonia Entry
Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Friday: Diana S. Wister

The Garden Club of America Certificate of Excellence
Atlock Farm Group

ARTISTIC CLASSES

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Niches)
Saturday: Wilfreta Baugh
Monday: Ginny Friedman
Wednesday: Renee Waite and Kathleen Davison
Friday: Wilfreta Baugh

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Miniature Arrangements)
Saturday: Vida Carson
Wednesday: Emilie Lapham and Ann Stookey

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Defined and Open Spaces)
Saturday: Jane Godshalk and Sandy Hullett
Monday: Carol F. Critchlow
Wednesday: Anne Fox Hayes and Susanna Baum
Friday: Alice Farley and Leslie Purple

PHS Trophy (Miniature Arrangements)
Emilie Lapham and Ann Stookey

PHS Trophy (Pressed Plant Materials)
Reiko Hagiwara

PHS Trophy (Miniature Settings)
Deb & Jim Mackie and Nancy & John Grube

PHS Room Trophy
Acorns to Oaks

Jack Kellmer Company Award (Tables)
Huntingdon Valley Garden Club

Delaware Valley Florist Association Trophy
Huntingdon Valley Garden Club

The Margaret Biddle Bright Award (Large Niche)
Carol Critchlow and Kathy Powell

Nancy Reid Clausen Award (Medium Niche)
Sidney Spahr

The Carolyn Waite Award (Small Niche)
Ginny Friedman

The PHS Trophy (Defined and Open Spaces)
Anne Fox Hayes and Susanna Baum

The Helen Hope Dechert Award (Niche Classes)
Emilie Lapham and Ann Stookey

PHS Trophy (Designs for Jewelry)
Emilie Lapham

PHS Award (Balconies)
Watershed – Radnor Middle School

PHS Award (Urns)
The Garden Club of Wilmington

PHS Award (Window Boxes/ Lamp Posts)
Conestoga Garden Club

PHS Award (Terraces)
Spade & Trowel Club – Kennett Square

THE PHS AWARDS FOR DAILY MAINTENANCE AND CONDITION

Gardens: Roots Community Garden
Entryways: The Siblings
Container Displays: The Inforcers
Balconies: Watershed – Radnor Middle School
Terraces: All Saints Church, Wynnewood; Greene Countrie Garden Club
Urns: Wissahickon Garden Club
Tables: Rose and Joe LePosa
Rooms: Our Garden Club of Philadelphia & Vicinity

MARKETPLACE AWARDS OF THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

(First Place)

Horticulture
Large: Ash's Flower Farm
Standard: Greensleeves

Accessories
Large: Rick's Utility Sheds
Standard: Stone Manor Lighting

Botanical Art
Large: Folio Art Glass
Standard: Nature's Creations

SWEEPSTAKES

PHS Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (Individual)
Runner-up: Sylvia R. Lin

Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (Individual)
Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy (Organization)
Winner: Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society
First runner-up: Wissahickon Garden Club

Sarah C. Z. Groome Award (Individual)
Winner: W. Eugene Burkhart, Jr.
First runner-up: Ginny Friedman

The Rosemarie P. Vassalluzzo Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy (Organization)
Winner: Wissahickon Garden Club
Runner-up: Our Garden Club of Philadelphia & Vicinity

Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award (Organization)
Winner: Wissahickon Garden Club
First runner-up: The Gardeners

PHS Grand Sweepstakes (Individual)

Ginny Friedman

SPECIAL BULB CLASSES FOR 2006 FLOWER SHOW

We hope you are thinking about entering the Horticulture Classes at next year's Philadelphia Flower Show. Why not try your hand at growing these special bulbs?

Bulb Challenge Class (open to all exhibitors)
- Any *Galanthus* in a pot 6" or under.

General Bulb Classes (open to all exhibitors)
- *Narcissus* 'Quince' (Miniature) in a 6" pot.
- *Narcissus* 'Chromacolor' (Division 2, Large-Cup) in an 8" pot.
- *Narcissus* 'Rip van Winkle' in a 6" pot.
- *Tulipa* 'Design Impression' in an 8" pot.
- *Hyacinthus* 'Woodstock' in an 8" pot.
- Any species *Tulipa* in a pot 6" or under.
- Any *Hippeastrum cybister*, a single-nosed bulb.

Novice Classes (open to anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in the Horticulture Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show prior to 2006)
- Narcissus 'Abba' (Division 4, Double) in an 8" pot.
- Tulipa 'Apricot Beauty' in an 8" pot.
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis), a single-nosed bulb in a pot.

Note: All bulbs must be grown and shown in pots of the size specified (inside diameter). **You may use bulb pans, azalea pots, or standard pots for all bulb classes.** Look for a complete list of all bulb classes and an entry form in the 2006 Philadelphia Flower show *Exhibitor's Guide.*

PLEASE NOTE: Automatic mailing of the Philadelphia Flower Show *Exhibitor's Guide* to all PHS members has been discontinued. The *Exhibitor's Guide*, entry forms, and a *Beginner's Guide* to entering the Horticulture Classes can be downloaded from the Flower Show website (*www.theflowershow.com*) each year beginning in September.

To request a free printed copy of the *Exhibitor's Guide*, send your name and address (print clearly, please) to *Exhibitor's Guide*, Shows Department, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, or send an e-mail to *fsguide@pennhort.org* (This e-mail address is for ***Exhibitor's Guide* requests only**, not for general information about the Show. For Show information, please call PHS at 215-988-8800 or visit *www.theflowershow.com.*)

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

The following walks at Chanticleer are $18 for PHS members and $23 for non-members. Limit: 25.

SHADE GARDENING
Thursday, May 5, 6 – 8 pm

Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** will point out shade plants suited for moist and dry situations.

SPRING WILDFLOWERS
Tuesday, May 10, 6 – 8 pm

Horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will highlight spring wildflowers at their peak and discuss how you can use them in your own garden.

25 PLANTS I WOULDN'T GARDEN WITHOUT (IN MY ZONE 7 GARDEN)
Thursday, June 2, 6 – 8 pm

Chanticleer horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** will share his list of favorite plants during this informal evening walk.

GOLD MEDAL PLANTS
Thursday, June 9, 6 – 8 pm

Chanticleer horticulturist **Peter Brindle** will discuss the ornamental qualities and culture of PHS Gold Medal Plants growing at Chanticleer.

VINES
Wednesday, June 22, 6 – 8 pm

Lisa Roper will discuss plant choices, the different ways vines climb, preferred cultural conditions, and the structures or hardware necessary to assist them.

VARIEGATED PLANTS
Wednesday, June 29, 6 – 8 pm

Horticulturist **Robert Herald** will lead us through Chanticleer's extensive plantings, highlighting some of his favorite variegated plants and combinations.

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

All Meadowbrook Farm walks are $18 for PHS members and $23 for non-members. Limit: 25. The workshop is priced separately.

WALK: WEEDS
Tuesday, June 7, 10 am – noon

Weeds, at Meadowbrook Farm? Yes, weeds are universal! General manager **John Story** will identify weeds on the Meadowbrook grounds and suggest means of controlling them.

WALK: PESTS AND DISEASES OF WOODY PLANTS
Tuesday, June 14, 10 am – noon

Behind the beautiful facade of the well-tended Meadowbrook Farm lurk leaf-sucking insects and destructive fungi! Explore this dreadful hidden world with **Ken LeRoy**, general manager of Shades of Green, a tree and landscape contractor in Elkins Park and Newtown, PA.

WALK/DEMONSTRATION: INFORMAL PRUNING TECHNIQUES
Thursday, June 16, 10 am – noon

Meadowbrook Farm general manager **John Story** will present essential, practical tips on pruning a variety of shrubs, including broadleaf evergreens, conifers, flowering shrubs and "cut backs."

WALK/DEMONSTRATION: PESTS AND DISEASES OF HERBACEOUS PLANTS
Tuesday, June 21, 10 am – noon

Yes, the glorious gardens at Meadowbrook Farm are also home to bugs and disease problems! **Jessica Story** will identify them and discuss proven techniques to control them. Special attention will be given to IPM techniques and the impact of weather as it relates to diseases.

WORKSHOP: CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS
Wednesday, June 22, 10 am – noon

This program presented by **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will provide a basic introduction to the fascinating world of cactus and succulents. Culture, care and propagation will be covered, and everyone will propagate and take home plants. **Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

CLASS

DESIGNING A KNOCKOUT PERENNIAL BORDER
Three Wednesdays, May 18, 25; June 1, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS Auditorium; Temple Ambler Campus

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.pennclasses.org*.

In the first two sessions of this class, **Stephanie Cohen** will cover the basics of perennial garden design, including choosing the best site, planting and maintenance tips, and selecting perennials for sun or shade. She'll also teach you how to draw a plan to scale, which you can bring to life in your own garden. The third session will meet at Temple University's Ambler Campus to tour the long perennial borders Stephanie has designed there. Fee includes Stephanie's new book, which will be published in the spring. **Limit 30. Fee: $175 members, $200 non-members.**

Stephanie Cohen is director of the landscape arboretum at Temple University, Ambler. A widely published garden writer, she occasionally contributes to PHS's *Green Scene* magazine.

IN THE GARDEN

SPRING AND SUMMER BIRDS OF THE CITY AND SUBURBAN GARDEN
Wednesday, May 11, 10 am – noon
The Philadelphia Zoo, Philadelphia

Join **Dr. Aliza Baltz**, curator of birds at the Philadelphia Zoo, and **Marty Kromer**, curator of horticulture, for a presentation on the spring and summer birds that visit city and suburban gardens, as well as the plants that provide the best bird habitat and food sources. Registration includes zoo admission and parking. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

GROWING HARDY TROPICALS IN THE DELAWARE VALLEY
Thursday, May 26, 10 am – noon
Triple Oaks Nursery & Herb Garden, Franklinville, NJ

That's right—hardy tropicals for our climate! **Joe Kiefer**, owner of Triple Oaks Nursery, will unveil cold-hardy tropical plants we can grow outdoors all year in the Delaware Valley. Fee includes a hardy bloodleaf banana plant, *Musa sikkemensis* 'Red Tiger', to grow in your garden. **Limit: 20. Fee: $40 members, $45 non-members.**

VALENTINE GARDENS
Tuesday, June 7, 1 – 3 pm
Coatesville, PA

Patrick Valentine and PHS outreach manager **Patricia Schrieber**, after years of gardening on other people's properties, found a place of their own where they could live and establish a nursery, a rustic site with a house and four greenhouses on two and a half acres near Coatesville, in western Chester County.

Pat and Patricia will lead a tour of their greenhouses, sales yard, and planting areas. Their collection includes rock-garden plants, water plants, herbs, and perennials, tender and hardy bonsai plants, containers and tools, all of which will be available for purchase. **Limit: 20. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SHADE PERENNIAL GARDENING

Wednesday, June 8, 10 am – noon
Chadds Ford, PA

Wayne and Doris Guymon's fabulous garden WynEden was featured in *Green Scene* magazine and was a favorite on our Brandywine Valley Garden Visits in 2004. The Guymons will share techniques for creating year-round interest in the shade garden through succession planting, as well as ideas on integrating the garden with the larger surrounding landscape. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

BUS TRIP

WASHINGTON, DC

Tuesday, May 24, 7 am – 8 pm (approximately)
Coach leaves from PHS, 20th and Arch Streets, and the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park.

This tour begins at **Dumbarton Oaks**, designed in the 1920s by noted landscape gardener Beatrix Farrand. Next we will visit **River Farm** in Alexandria, Virginia, George Washington's farm and current headquarters of the American Horticultural Society. We end the day at the **National Cathedral**. Fee includes coach, boxed lunch, snacks, and guided tours. **Limit: 40. Fee: $90 members, $100 non-members.**

PROGRAMS AT PHS

100 N. 20TH ST., PHILADELPHIA, PA

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION—GARDEN PORTRAITS IN COLORED PENCIL

Monday and Tuesday, June 13 & 14, 10 am – 3 pm
PHS Classroom

At the end of this workshop, taught by **Eileen Rosen**, you will go home with an intimate portrait of a garden you love. We will learn and practice specific colored-pencil techniques. All levels of experience are welcome. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. **Limit: 15. Fee: $90 members, $100 non-members.**

BROWN-BAG LUNCH: PROTECTING OUR TREES AND FORESTS

Tuesday, June 28, noon – 1 pm
PHS Auditorium

The Asian Long-horned beetle poses an imminent threat to our Pennsylvania woods, but there is good news for us from the example of Chicago's experience. **Judy Antipin** of the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture, will present the case study "Chicago vs. the Asian Longhorned Beetle: A Portrait of Success." Bring a lunch; PHS will supply coffee and tea. **FREE.**

PHS SPRING GARDEN VISITS

This year's Garden Visits will spotlight exceptional private gardens in the **Lower Main Line** area (May 8), **French Creek/Upper Chester County** (May 22), and the **Trenton** area (June 12) from noon to 5 pm. Read about one of the French Creek gardens in the April issue of *Green Scene*. These events are for PHS members and their guests only. **Fee (for each date): $10 members, $25 guests of members.** For more information, please contact Chela Kleiber at 215-988-8775 or *ckleiber@pennhort.org*.

2005 PHS SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS

The PHS Suburban Greening Awards recognize the beauty and value of public-space plantings in suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Delaware. Nominations are sought for public parks, main street planters, church gardens, train stations, municipal grounds, and other public plantings outside the Philadelphia city limits.

If you know of a public space planting in suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, or Delaware that should be recognized by PHS, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or email *specialevents@pennhort.org*. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2005.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

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Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

TRAVEL WITH PHS IN 2005

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society offers exciting tours in the U.S. and abroad to visit outstanding private and public gardens. The following trip has some spaces available. You can find trip itineraries on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org/events/garden_trips.html*. For a hard copy of the itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens of New Zealand
November 1–19, 2005

Enjoy the beautiful landscapes, stellar private gardens, interesting cities and towns, and natural wonders of New Zealand in spring. Hotel accommodations include stays in Auckland, New Plymouth, Wellington, Christchurch, Mt. Cook, Queenstown, and Dunedin. In addition to outstanding private and public gardens, we'll visit a kauri forest, the Southern Alps, and Milford Sound.

If you would like to be included on the mailing list for future travel adventures with PHS, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

GREEN SCENE MAGAZINE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Are you a budding garden photographer? Would you like to see your work on the pages of *Green Scene* magazine? If so, PHS invites you to enter its *Green Scene* Garden Photo Contest, sponsored by Ritz Camera and Fujifilm USA. Prizes include a digital camera kit, film packages, single-use cameras, PHS memberships and more. Winning photos will also be published in the December 2005 issue of *Green Scene* and on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

The contest judges are looking for superb images that capture the beauty of gardening and create a sense of community through horticulture. Specifically, plant portraits and close-ups, garden views, and people in the garden are all ideal subject choices.

Photos can be shot in any format, but must be submitted as **4 x 6 or 5 x 7-inch prints**. No submissions by email or on CD will be accepted. **The deadline for entries is August 1, 2005**.

For more entry information and official contest rules, and complete list of submission requirements, please see the April or June issue of *Green Scene* or visit the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. You can also email *greenscene@pennhort.org*.

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FIRST PERSON CONNECT

Saturday June 4, 10 am tour; 12 pm lunch

On this audio tour aboard a historic Philadelphia Trolley, you'll hear first-hand accounts from the folks who create the city's stunning murals and sow its verdant gardens. The tour includes a picnic feast at the *Las Parcelas* community garden. This program is presented by First Person Arts, in collaboration with PHS and the city's Mural Arts Program.

Tour begins and ends at the Philadelphia Visitor's Center, 6th and Market Streets. Tickets are available through UpStages, Prince Music Theater, 1412 Chestnut St., Philadelphia, 215-569-9700. **For more information, please visit *www.firstpersonfestival.org* or contact Melissa Dalley at 267-402-2057 or *mdalley@blueskyarts.org*. Fee: $40**

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PHILADELPHIA GREEN BRANCHES OUT ACROSS PENNSYLVANIA

During the past three decades, Philadelphia Green has grown from a small community gardening effort to a complex program that enhances the quality of life in Philadelphia. Over the years, members of PHS's management team have received requests from urban areas throughout Pennsylvania asking, "Can you help our town set up a program like Philadelphia Green?"

J. Gannon

Students and community leaders from York and Harrisburg gather for a group picture during the training at PHS in June.

Now, that's exactly what is happening in York and Harrisburg. Philadelphia Green has teamed up with **Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful** (KPB) to spread the message of greening around the commonwealth, beginning with these two cities.

Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful is a nonprofit organization formed to promote, protect, and beautify Pennsylvania's natural and community environments. It is an affiliate of Keep America Beautiful, a national organization.

"This is a great opportunity to expand Philadelphia Green's reach and share our experiences in other parts of Pennsylvania," says PHS executive vice president Blaine Bonham, who now serves on the KPB board.

"Reducing litter, preventing illegal dumping, and 'greening' are top quality-of-life initiatives for every community attempting to revitalize its business districts and neighborhoods," says Julia M. Marano, executive director of KPB. She says KPB is excited to work with Philadelphia Green because of its "outstanding track record."

As part of a contract with KPB, Philadelphia Green staff is training 10 college interns from Penn State University and York College to work with residents and community organizations on neighborhood greening and beautification projects in York and Harrisburg this summer. The students and community leaders visited PHS for three days in early June for workshops on community organizing, team building, developing partnerships, and communication. They also visited Philadelphia Green sites and met with neighborhood leaders and with staff and volunteers from the city's Mural Arts Program.

"We wanted to give them some solid practical skills," says Philadelphia Green director Joan Reilly, "but we also wanted to give them an understanding of how greening builds communities and plays an important role in the larger effort of neighborhood revitalization."

PHS will also work with KPB to provide technical assistance on neighborhood projects. The program will be assessed at the end of the summer and may be expanded to other communities in coming years.

For more information on Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, visit their website at *www.keeppabeautiful.org*.

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SAVE THE DATE: PHS MEMBERS' DAY

September 24

The 2005 Members' Day will be held Saturday, September 24 from 11 am to 5 pm at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.

Pick up plants at the Annual Plant Dividend, listen to speakers in the Gardener's Studio, tour the Navy Yard with knowledgeable guides, shop in the Marketplace, and enjoy live music and refreshments.

Don't miss the Second Annual PHS Auction. Props and staging from past Harvest Shows and Flower Show central features will be auctioned, including an Elvis costume!

As part of the TreeVitalize campaign (which aims to plant 20,000 trees in Southeastern Pennsylvania), you can pre-order container trees at wholesale prices and pick them up at Members' Day. Order forms will be included with your invitation (to be mailed in early August).

Watch for more information in the next issue of *PHS News* or check the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

A Place in the Sun

As I write this in early June, the gardening season is moving into high gear, and I know all PHS gardeners—be they members, staff, community gardeners, or volunteers—are in the midst of spring and summer projects. The joy of a garden is that it's ever-changing and you can do anything you like with it; it's your own piece of ground. I'd like to share a few thoughts about my own evolving garden.

When I married and moved to Delaware County 37 years ago, I remember being quite perplexed by the ground that surrounded our new house. Growing up in Scotland, Dad did the lawn and the vegetable garden and Mum grew fabulous roses and perennials and cut the hedges. We lived in a small village east of Edinburgh, and on the property there was one large sycamore tree, which was protected, like all trees in the village, by a historic ordinance.

In Delaware County, things were different. My husband, "the Gardening Partner," and I had bought a place with huge ashes and tulips and dogwoods—a tree I had never seen before. There were also "foundation" plantings, another concept foreign to me, and the hedges and fences that most British people erect for privacy were definitely not part of the Delaware County aesthetic.

But what really surprised me was that few people grew vegetables. What the Gardening Partner and I really liked about gardening was vegetables, so soon we were digging up the lawn to plant peas and potatoes, carrots and beets. Since the land sloped and the big trees cast ever more shade, it was a constant challenge to find a flat place with full sun for our growing list of vegetables, including the Gardening Partner's favorite lima beans.

After the Gardening Partner died four years ago, I kept the lima bean garden going for a few seasons, but the shade so diminished the crop that I reluctantly turned the area back to lawn. This year, I decided I don't care about the opinions of the aesthetic police. My vegetables need sun, so I'm going to dig a whole new plot in the only place where I get full sun—right in the middle of the back lawn. By the time I get the raised beds and fence in place, it won't look nearly as pretty as the sweep of lawn, but I will satisfy my particular gardening interest. And after all, a garden has to satisfy its owner.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

PHS AWARDS FOR 2005

PHS is pleased to announce the annual awards for 2005. Awards will be formally presented at the Annual Meeting on Tuesday, November 15 at 5pm.

Distinguished Achievement Medal

Richard W. Lighty

Richard Lighty is always willing to share his knowledge and love of plants and horticulture. He coordinated the Longwood Gardens graduate program in public garden administration at the University of Delaware from 1967 to 1983, helping to train leaders in the field, including Katy Moss Warner, Paul Meyer, Judy Zuk, and our own Jane Pepper. He was the founding director of the Mt. Cuba Center in Greenville, Delaware, where he helped develop the estate and grounds into the premier public garden devoted to native plants.

In the course of his distinguished career, Dick has received numerous horticultural awards, including the American Horticultural Society's highest honor and the Liberty Hyde Bailey Award. He has been a longtime advocate of the PHS mission and an active volunteer, serving on many committees and the Council.

Certificates of Merit

Larry Stier

Larry Stier teaches at Vare Middle School in Philadelphia, where he changes lives through horticulture and environmental ethics. He works primarily with special-needs children, using gardening to teach life skills and instill a sense of pride. Larry demonstrates his concern for the environment by recycling, promoting the use of public transportation (he takes his students on SEPTA for field trips), and biking wherever he can. A graduate of the PHS Tree Tenders program, Larry serves on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, has served on PHS Council, and has chaired the Kids Grow Expo Committee since 1994.

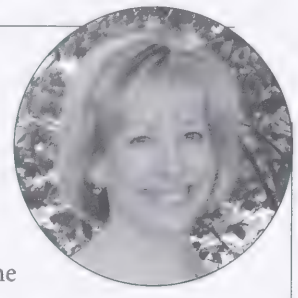
Mary Jo Strawbridge

Mary Jo has been a wonderful volunteer for PHS, serving in many capacities, from planting flower beds for the annual City Hall in Bloom event to chairing the Philadelphia Flower Show. She has served as chair of the Show's Competitive Classes and currently gives hundreds of visitors an insider's view as an Early Morning Tour guide. An accomplished floral arranger, Mary Jo generously shares her knowledge with budding exhibitors in the Artistic Classes. She is a past president of the Garden Workers Garden Club and a past member of PHS Council.

Paul Tickle

Paul caught the Flower Show "bug" more than 30 years ago when he coordinated the support crew for J. Franklin Styer Nurseries during Flower Show set-up. Since then he has proved an invaluable asset to volunteers, exhibitors, and PHS staff at the Show, happily taking on any task, no matter how big or small. His steadiness, his humor, his genuine affection for those he sees only once a year, and his unwavering devotion to PHS have earned him a well-deserved fan club. Paul is a member of PHS's Flower Show Executive Committee.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: JENNIFER LENDLER



Jennifer Lendler came to Philadelphia about seven years ago and made her home in Center City. An avid bicyclist, she says she rode by the Azalea Garden almost every day. "It was one of the first places I came to feel proud of; it made me feel this was now 'my city'," she says. This spring, Jennifer and her husband had the opportunity to promote the Azalea Garden as junior co-chairs of the annual Azalea Garden party. "I really think it's one of the most fun events in Philadelphia," says Jennifer.

Jennifer first became involved with PHS about four years ago through a colleague at PricewaterhouseCoopers, where she worked at the time. Over an introductory lunch, Jane Pepper asked her to serve on the Flower Show Executive Committee. "I love it," says Jennifer. "It's a wonderful group of people with different points of view, and they made even a newcomer like me feel a part of the fabric of the organization." Jennifer, a management consultant who describes herself as an "okay gardener," was enthusiastic about the chance to see the Flower Show "from the inside" and felt sure she could improve her gardening skills "just by being in the same room with these people."

Since then, Jennifer has helped out with the Flower Show Preview Dinner and has served on the PHS Council for the past year and a half. She was also part of the six-person Meadowbrook Committee, charged with carrying out "due diligence" to determine how the acquisition of Meadowbrook Farm could benefit PHS. The group now oversees operations at Meadowbrook and is working on integrating the facility into PHS's other programs.

Jennifer, who now runs her own consulting business focused on the gaming industry, is pleased to be part of PHS. "As a Philadelphia resident," she says, "I've seen firsthand the terrific work that PHS does to make our environment so much better for so many people. It's great to be in a position where I can help spread the word."

ENVISIONING THE FUTURE OF PHILADELPHIA'S VACANT LAND

Travelers passing through 30th Street Station in early May were probably puzzled by the sight of more than 300 people engaged in passionate roundtable discussions, surrounded by huge video screens with vote tallies that seemed to change by the second. This event was one of three interactive visioning sessions where community leaders, residents, planners, and others gathered to talk about the future of Philadelphia's vacant land.

Recognizing that the city's 40,000 vacant parcels represent tremendous potential for change and renewal, the Philadelphia-based City Parks Association has brought together key partners—PHS, The Reinvestment Fund, and the Pennsylvania Environmental Council—to collaborate on Philadelphia LANDvisions, an international design competition focusing on the city's vacant land.

With extensive experience in community organizing through its Philadelphia Green program, PHS took the lead in the first phase of this project—community engagement to solicit input from a broad range of Philadelphia residents. The gatherings included innovative techniques such as digital imaging, mapping, and keypad polling, which allowed participants to give and receive immediate feedback. The information from these sessions will be included in materials sent to everyone who enters the competition. (Placematters.com, a community planning and decision-making consulting firm, supported the community visioning sessions.)

The first design phase of the competition kicks off in September. All are encouraged to enter, including students and professionals, community groups, neighborhood residents, designers, and policy makers. (Community-based organizations interested in teaming up with architects to participate in the competition should contact the Community Design Collaborative, *www.cdesignc.org*).

Deenah Loeb, director of the City Parks Association, explains the motivation behind the project: "As the city began demolishing abandoned buildings as part of its Neighborhood Transformation Initiative, we realized that there would be a huge amount of vacant land left behind, and that what happens with the land will have a tremendous impact on the fabric of the city."

Philadelphia Green director Maitreyi Roy says the time is right for "thinking big." "When we turn vacant lots into 'clean and green' spaces, the potential of this land is revealed. The people in the city need to be part of the dialog about the future of this resource."

Margaret Funderberg

The Peace Plaza, which includes a mural created by the city's Mural Arts Program, was created on a vacant lot in the Grays Ferry section of Southwest Philadelphia.

The LANDvisions project includes an interactive website where visitors can view results from the community visioning sessions, add their own ideas, submit memories from their neighborhoods, and get information about the competition. There are also online publications, maps, and links. The site can be found at *www.landvisions.org*.

Funding for LANDvisions comes from the Philadelphia Office of Housing and Community Development, the National Endowment for the Arts, and the Samuel S. Fels Fund.

FLOWER ARRANGING EVENTS: "FLOWERS IN OUR LIVES" BY ELS TEUNISSEN

PHS is pleased to offer a series of special events with premier Dutch floral designer **Els Teunissen**. Her designs have been featured around the world, from the Academy Awards to royal functions to weddings and floral exhibitions.

Demonstration

Wednesday, October 5, 2005, 10 am – 12 noon
(Arrive at 9 am for a boutique, raffle, ticket sales, and coffee or tea.)
The Philadelphia Museum of Art
26th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia
FREE PARKING

Workshops

Participants will take home at least two arrangements and have the opportunity to work personally with Els.
Thursday, October 6, 2005
Beginner to Intermediate: 9 am – 12 noon
Intermediate to Advanced: 2 – 5 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia

All proceeds benefit the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Student and group rates are available. Please call Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 for more information.

Registration Form

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Please complete this form and return to: Lisa Wiley, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 North 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495. Make checks payable to PHS. You may also fax the form to 215-988-8810 or register by telephone (215-988-8832).

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Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Wed., October 5: **Demonstration, Art Museum** *(open seating)* _____ reservations @$55 = $_____
($60 at the door)

Wed., October 5: **Demonstration, Art Museum** *(preferred seating)* _____ reservations @$75 = $_____

Thurs., October 6: **Workshop, Beginner to Intermediate, PHS** _____ reservations @$140 = $_____

Thurs., October 6: **Workshop, Intermediate to Advanced, PHS** _____ reservations @$140 = $_____

Total = $_____

Registering for two or more people? Please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

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WALKS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

GARDENING TOOLS
Tuesday, July 12, 6 – 8 pm

This walk and demonstration, led by **Przemek Walczak**, addresses the selection of the best tool for each gardening task. We will also discuss how to care for your tools and where to get them. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

LINE, COLOR, FORM, AND HOT NEW PLANTS
Wednesday, July 13, 6 – 8 pm

Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** as we stroll through the gardens looking at what the Chanticleer staff does best: growing and displaying new plants and innovative plant combinations. We will emphasize plants with interesting lines, texture, and color suitable for Delaware Valley gardens. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

ORGANIZING CHAOS
Tuesday, July 26, 6 – 8 pm

Many otherwise good garden plants have a habit of seeding into areas where we don't necessarily want them. In this program, Chanticleer horticulturist **Joe Henderson** will help us determine what is worth saving and what is not and how to create order from chaos. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

GARDENING FOR HUMMINGBIRDS AND BUTTERFLIES
Thursday, August 4, 6 – 8 pm

Horticulturist **Laura Aiken** will show how hummingbirds and butterflies bring color and motion to the gardens of Chanticleer and how you can attract them to your own garden. **Limit 24. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

PONDS AND POOLS
Tuesday, August 9, 6 – 8 pm

Joe Henderson will devote this program to plants that like "wet feet." We'll tour the pond area and walk the path along the stream to learn about plants that tolerate wet conditions, as well as about aquatic plants, such as waterlilies, which must be completely submerged to thrive. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

THE ARRANGER'S GARDEN
Wednesday, August 10, 6 – 8 pm

One of the best parts of flower gardening is enjoying the fruits of your labor indoors with colorful, fragrant cut-flower arrangements. Join horticulturist **Doug Croft** for a pleasant stroll through Chanticleer's cutting garden to look at creative combinations of annuals, perennials, and shrubs that can be used in floral arrangements. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

GREEN SCENE MAGAZINE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

Are you a budding garden photographer? Would you like to see your work on the pages of *Green Scene* magazine? If so, PHS invites you to enter its *Green Scene* Garden Photo Contest, sponsored by Ritz Camera and Fujifilm USA. Prizes include a digital camera kit, film packages, single-use cameras, PHS memberships and more. Winning photos will also be published in the December 2005 issue of *Green Scene* and on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

The judges will look for images that capture the beauty of gardening and create a sense of community through horticulture. Specifically, plant portraits and close-ups, garden views, and people in the garden are all ideal subjects.

Photos can be shot in any format, but must be submitted as **4 x 6 or 5 x 7-inch prints**. No submissions by email or on CD will be accepted. **THE DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS AUGUST 1, 2005.**

For more entry information, contest rules, and a complete list of submission requirements, please see the April or June issue of *Green Scene* or visit the PHS website. You can also email *greenscene@pennhort.org*.

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

TOUR: THE LEGACY OF J. LIDDON PENNOCK, JR.
Wednesday, July 13, 10 am – noon

Ted Zoltowski will lead a tour of Meadowbrook Farm's noted estate, designed by Robert McGoodwin. He will discuss the style of Liddon Pennock, who was influenced by the eighteenth-century designer Robert Adam. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WOODY PLANT PROPAGATION: HYDRANGEAS
Wednesday, July 20, 10 am – noon

Learn to propagate exciting new cultivars of hydrangeas (and other woody species). Instructor **Shelley Dillard** will provide an overview of woody cutting strategies, followed by a hands-on session. **Limit 20. Fee: $25 members, $30 non-members.**

Shelley Dillard has been the propagator at Morris Arboretum for 18 years. Her specialty is wild-collected woody plant seeds and hard-to-propagate species. She also manages the arboretum's Dorrance H. Hamilton Fernery.

WORKSHOP

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION: GARDEN PORTRAITS IN COLORED PENCIL AT WYCK
Monday and Tuesday, August 8 and 9, 10 am – 3 pm
Wyck, Germantown section of Philadelphia

Eileen Rosen will lead this workshop at Wyck, a National Historic Landmark house and garden (*www.wyck.org*). Participants will practice colored-pencil techniques, then learn to reduce the extraneous details of the larger landscape. All levels of experience are welcome.

The surviving remnant of a 225-year-old landscape, the grounds of Wyck include box-edged parterres of old roses, grape arbors, venerable and rare trees, as well as perennial, vegetable, and herb gardens. Complementing the landscape are the classically inspired house and handsome eighteenth-century outbuildings.

Directions and a materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed with registration confirmation. Wyck offers convenient street parking, lunch refrigeration, indoor drawing space, outdoor shade, and modern restrooms. **Limit: 10. Fee: $90 members, $100 non-members.**

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America.

IN THE GARDEN

MY WILD BACKYARD
Thursday, July 14, 10 am – noon
The Philadelphia Zoo

Come explore the Philadelphia Zoo's new "My Wild Backyard" exhibit with director of public programs **Kristen Lewis** and curator of horticulture **Marty Kromer**. They will show you why the perfect complement to your garden's color scheme might be a swallowtail or a bluebird. Fee includes zoo admission and parking. **Limit: 25. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

FLOWER ARRANGING, NATURALLY
Wednesday, July 27, 10 am – noon
Triple Oaks Nursery & Herb Garden, Franklinville, NJ

This program includes a pleasant walk in the garden, picking flowers to arrange in a watering can to take home. Triple Oaks owner **Lorraine Kiefer** will demonstrate techniques for arranging garden blooms into an informal bouquet; she'll also offer plant suggestions for a cutting garden. Seeds and plants will be available to take home. **Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

AND EVENTS · ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

COOKING FROM THE GARDEN

Wednesday, August 10, 10 am – 1 pm
Fordhook Farm, Doylestown, PA

Join us behind the scenes at the trial gardens of The Cook's Garden, America's premier culinary seed catalog for cooks who love to garden. Sample a comparative tasting of new varieties and tour Fordhook Farm, the original homestead and garden of W. A. Burpee. The program will include a guided tour with Burpee staff horticulturist **Grace Romero** and a luncheon prepared by **Ellen Ecker Ogden**, co-founder of The Cook's Garden. **Limit: 25. Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

TRIP

CARAMOOR AND KYKUIT

Thursday, July 21, 7 am – 8 pm (approximately)
Coach leaves from PHS, 20th and Arch Streets, and the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park.

This coach trip takes us to two unique gardens just north of New York City. Located in Katona, New York, **Caramoor** is the site of celebrated music festivals. New York City lawyer, financier, art patron, and amateur musician Walter Rosen and his wife Lucie, an accomplished musician, bought the 90-acre property in 1928 to build their dream summer home. The gardens at Caramoor enhance the site's Renaissance sensibility. Our tour will include a cut-flower demonstration by floral designer Mary Lou Pappas, as well as visits to six restored gardens, including the butterfly, sunken, Spanish Courtyard, Venetian Circle, and Medieval Mount gardens. After a boxed lunch, we will depart for Kykuit.

Home to four generations of Rockefellers, **Kykuit** (the Dutch word for "lookout") commands breathtaking views of the Hudson River and Palisades. Our tour will include the formal gardens, as well as Governor Nelson Rockefeller's collection of twentieth-century sculpture. The gardens include terraces, pavilions, grottoes, fountains, and magnificent wrought iron gates. The sculpture gardens include works by Henry Moore, Alexander Calder, Gaston Lachaise and more. The terrain can be hilly, and the tour is not wheelchair accessible.

Fee includes coach, flower arranging demonstration, tours and garden admissions, lunch in the garden at Caramoor, and snacks. **Limit: 35. Fee: $120 members, $135 non-members.**

WALK

FULL MOON HIKE

Wednesday, July 20, 6 – 8 pm
Fairmount Park, Philadelphia, PA

Join us for an evening hike through the Wissahickon Valley, led by Fairmount Park naturalist **David Bower** and PHS Tree Tender manager **Mindy Maslin**. The hike will be followed by a potluck dessert, so please bring goodies to share. Meet at Thomas Mansion, 6245 Wissahickon Ave., between Walnut Lane and Johnson St. **RSVP to Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844 by July 19. FREE.**

WOODY PLANTS CONFERENCE

Friday, July 15, 2005
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, PA

The 2005 Woody Plants Conference will include a presentation by **Mindy Maslin**, manager of PHS's Tree Tenders project, as well as lectures on roses, dogwoods, and designing with woody plants. Speakers include **Lisa Blum**, a plant pathologist who teaches horticulture at W. B. Saul High School of Agricultural Sciences in Philadelphia; **Paul E. Cappiello**, executive director of Yew Dell Gardens in Crestwood, Kentucky, and an internationally known researcher and writer; landscape architect **Patrick Chassé**, curator of landscape at the Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum in Boston; **William Cullina**, a nursery manager, propagator, and author of three books on native plants; and **Tim Ranney**, a researcher and professor of horticultural science at North Carolina State University.

The Woody Plants Conference is co-sponsored by Chanticleer, Longwood Gardens, the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College, and the Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

For registration information, please call the continuing education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000 ext. 507.

ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

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ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

FRESH SUMMER COLOR AT MEADOWBROOK FARM

Enjoy Extra Discounts on Summer Plants

Refresh your garden or spruce up for a summer party with Meadowbrook Farm's fresh crop of one-gallon annuals, or choose from lots of other seasonal items and enjoy **$5 off any purchase over $25. Valid June 20 through September 3.** For extra savings, this offer may be combined with Meadowbrook's 10% discount for PHS members on most plants. Limit one coupon per customer per day. Customer zip code is required at purchase. **Clip out and bring the coupon below with you on your next shopping trip!**

For more "hot" summer planting ideas and specials, sign up for the Meadowbrook newsletter at *www.gotomeadowbrook.com*.

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MEADOWBROOK FARM

1633 Washington Lane, Abington Township, PA 19046
215-887-5900

SAVE THE DATE

McLean Library Book Sale

Mark your calendar for the McLean Library Book Sale, where you can purchase new gardening books at a discount and used gardening classics at exceptional prices. The sale will be held **Wednesday, October 5, from 10 am to 5 pm**, in the library on the first floor of PHS headquarters. **The Library welcomes book donations for this event**, including gardening books, natural history books, and cookbooks in good condition. For more information or to make donations, please contact library assistant Josie Miller at 215-988-8772 or *jmiller@pennhort.org*.

UPDATE: SPECIAL BULB CLASSES FOR '06 FLOWER SHOW

Because of the difficulty of obtaining the previously announced Miniature *Narcissus* ('Quince'), the Horticulture Committee has decided to substitute ***Narcissus* 'Segovia'** (Miniature, Division 3, Small-Cup) in the "named bulb" classes (2015, 3015, 4015). The pot size (6") remains the same.

Exhibitors who have already obtained "Quince' bulbs may enter them in Miniature classes 2030, 3030, and 4030.

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CHALLENGE PLANTS FOR THE 2006 FLOWER SHOW

The challenge plants for the 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show have been chosen:

Class 2999	*Philodendron* 'Moonlight'
Class 3999	*Humata tyermannii*
Class 4999	x *Sedeveria* 'Vera Higgins'

Only plants purchased from PHS are eligible for these classes. A limited supply will be available for $5 each at PHS beginning September 27. Only one of each plant per exhibitor—first come, first served; no reservations. To see if plants are still available, please call PHS at 215-988-8800 after September 26 and ask for the Shows Department. Plants must be picked up by Wednesday, October 12.

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GET READY FOR MEMBERS' DAY 2005

Music, food, plants, shopping, gardening tips, and more—it's all part of PHS Members' Day, **September 24, 11 am – 5 pm**, at the Philadelphia Naval Yard.

We've put together a fun-filled day for PHS members and their guests, including music, complimentary snacks, a **marketplace** with vendors selling an array of plants and garden accessories, and the ever-popular **Annual Plant Dividend**. PHS merchandise will also be for sale.

The day will also feature the **Gardener's Studio**, an impressive array of lectures and demonstrations on horticultural topics, beginning at 11 am and continuing every half-hour until 5 pm. There will be **activities for kids and tours** of the Naval Yard.

The **Membership Tent** will feature a special promotion for members who are renewing and new members who join PHS that day. The first 300 new and renewing members will receive **free daffodil bulbs** for fall planting.

In the **Hospitality Tent**, complimentary snacks will be available throughout the day, with the theme "**A Taste of Philadelphia**." For those who need heartier fare, **Johnnie's Dog House** from Wayne, PA, will sell scrumptious hot dogs with an array of toppings, sweet Italian sausages, and fries.

In the **Plant Dividend Tent**, members can choose free plants **(one for associate members and three for full household memberships and above). Presenting your membership card will help speed you through check-in.** Plants are grown and donated by other members, commercial growers, and expert propagators. Selections include perennials, shrubs, houseplants, and trees that will beautify your indoor and outdoor garden for many years to come.

Be sure to stop at the **Gold Medal Plants** tent, where you can purchase exceptional plants that have been recognized with the PHS Gold Medal Plant Award. Experts will be on hand to answer your questions.

To Renew Your Membership online any time of day or night, just visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* and click on "Membership."

P. Prown

Members braved the rain to pick up their Dividend plants at last year's Members' Day celebration.

We will hold a live auction from 1:30 to 2:30, featuring specimen plants and unusual and one-of-a-kind props from past Flower Show exhibits (credit cards accepted).

Ample free parking is available. For more information, driving directions, a complete list of speakers, and a partial list of this year's dividend plants, please visit the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

TreeVitalize at Members' Day

As part of TreeVitalize, a program of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources to restore the tree canopy of Southeastern Pennsylvania, PHS will sponsor a **pre-order Tree Sale**. Order forms were included with Members' Day invitations, and trees must be picked up on Members' Day near the Plant Dividend tent.

All trees are container-grown (for easier transport) and are approximately 6 to 8 feet tall and 1-1/2" to 1-3/4" caliper (trunk diameter). Varieties include shade trees, ornamentals, a Gold Medal selection, and those well suited to urban growing conditions. Check out the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, for more information or contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducci@pennhort.org*. Southeastern Pennsylvania residents are eligible for an immediate 25% rebate on the cost of the tree.

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW '06 OFFICIAL PRESENTATION

The Flower Show may last only 10 days at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, but here at PHS, it's happening behind-the-scenes year round. Beginning this fall, PHS News, Green Scene, *and other publications, as well as our website, will keep our members informed about the Flower Show all year long. Educational events and other programs will introduce you to the people and ideas involved in bringing each year's Show to life.* *See page 5 for a story about the 2006 Show.*

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Summer Buzz

During the years when the Gardening Partner and I kept bees, the July 4 weekend was a time when we were hotter and stickier than at any other time of year.

All spring, the bees had worked to harvest nectar from the tulip trees in the valley below our house. Come July, it was our turn to labor to remove the honey from the combs, spin it out of the frames, and pour it into jars. By the time we were finished we sometimes had 50 to 60 jars, the greenhouse (where we spun the honey out into a big metal can) was full of bees, and we were sticky from head to toe.

This past July 4 found me just as hot, but not quite as sticky, as I pedaled my bicycle against a headwind on a blazing sunny day in Switzerland's Rhine Valley. We rode on a bike trail 20 feet above the gushing river, then crossed over to ride through fields green with corn and sunflowers, the latter with a few early blooms. Other fields were also green with acres of chard, carrots, peas, and potatoes. In contrast there were fields of ripening golden barley and yellow green oil seed rape.

Our favorite cycling time on July 4 was, however, through the vineyards. The grapes were small as yet, and workers were going up and down the rows pruning away excess foliage to allow sun to reach the fruit. The precision with which the rows had been planted was mesmerizing, and we were grateful to the vintners who paved their pathways, which made them much easier to ride on than the gravel tracks through other farm areas.

This was a bike tour organized by Rotalis Bike Travel, a company based in Munich. Riding with me were several German cyclists, one PHS member, and two friends from England. Barbara Moth, one of the English travelers, received an Interchange Fellowship from the Garden Club of America to study at the University of Delaware in 1976. Since then, we have kept in touch, and on this trip, her knowledge of the local flora helped us identify campions and mini lupines, campanulas, mulleins, sedums, and dark purple sage blooming along the path.

After a week in the saddle, we were hardly able to sit down, but the landscapes we saw made up for every sore bone in our bodies.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

TRAVEL WITH US

PHS offers an exciting array of tours in the United States and abroad to outstanding public and private gardens and homes. Itineraries will be available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org,* in late September. To receive a printed copy of any itinerary, please call Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778.

Gardens of New Zealand

November 1 – 19, 2005

Space is still available on this outstanding trip. Enjoy the breathtaking landscapes, stellar private gardens, interesting cities and towns, and natural wonders of New Zealand in spring.

Gardens in Sicily Plus

May 9 – 20, 2006

Our journey begins on the island of Sicily, where we'll see perfectly preserved Greek temples and other historic structures—all evidence of the diverse civilizations that have left their mark on this fascinating island. We'll visit private gardens belonging to members of the Sicilian aristocracy. All along our way, the hills will be carpeted with an astonishing variety of wildflowers. We'll take the ferry at sunset from Palermo, and as the sun rises over Vesuvius, we'll enter the bay of Naples to visit more private gardens and drive along the world-famous Costa Amalfitana, where tiny towns like Positano and Amalfi cling to the cliff-face. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership Manager.

Norfolk and Sussex with Jane Pepper

June 4 – 15

PHS president Jane Pepper will lead this tour of English gardens in Norfolk and Sussex, home to some of the country's most important gardens. The relatively low-lying and open countryside of Norfolk includes some magnificent estates with superb gardens. By contrast, the Sussex countryside is more rolling and enclosed and dotted with smaller gardens. Ann and Colin Senior, who led a very successful tour of Gloucestershire this summer, return as tour organizers.

New England Sojourn

June 26 – 29

Litchfield County, in the northwestern corner of Connecticut, and the adjoining areas of New York and Massachusetts are known for the beauty of the countryside, where well-maintained colonial-era homes surround village greens. The area's rolling hills are home to many avid horticulturists and garden designers, and we'll enjoy their handiwork—from cottage gardens to large estate gardens—on this four-day trip. We will travel by private motor coach from the Philadelphia area and stay in one hotel during the tour. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS Membership Manager.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: HAYWARD FORD

Aspen Farms is one of Philadelphia's most successful and enduring community gardens. Created with assistance from Philadelphia Green, the garden is located in West Philadelphia's Mill Creek neighborhood, where Hayward Ford makes his home. Hayward's name has been synonymous with Aspen Farms since the late 1970s. He was one of a small group of neighbors who started the garden on an abandoned lot and he continues to serve as president of the Aspen Farms Garden Club, which currently has about 30 members.

"Hayward is extremely dedicated to this garden; it's part of his being," says Eileen Gallagher, who manages Philadelphia Green's Community Gardens Project. "He's the cheerleader, the coach, and the team all wrapped up in one."

Aspen Farms has an impressive central design that includes a gazebo, three ponds, a footbridge, and a butterfly garden. "But the design is never complete," says Hayward. The group is currently working on several projects, including final completion of one of the ponds; a plan to alleviate an erosion problem on the central pathway; installing solar panels on the roof of the garden shed; and a new, block-long flower bed. Hayward is also working with PHS Council member Ann Reed to develop an Aspen Farms website.

Under Hayward's leadership, the gardeners have reached out to local public schools, including Sulzburger Middle School and the Martha Washington Elementary School. The schools use Aspen Farms as an outdoor classroom. "The key to the future of Aspen Farms is to engage the younger folks," says Hayward.

Aside from his "job" in the garden, Hayward is an active PHS volunteer, serving on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, the PHS Council, and the Education Committee. He's also on the board of the Neighborhood Gardens Association, which recently acquired the Aspen Farms property to preserve it permanently as a community garden.

Hayward notes that maintaining such a large garden is hard work, and the garden group is "always looking for new members" to share the work load. Still, he's upbeat about the future of Aspen Farms. "I feel positively 'James Brownish'," he says slyly. In other words, "*I feel good!*"

PHS PARTICIPATES IN WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT

PHS was honored to participate in the **White House Conference on Cooperative Conservation**, which took place August 29, 30, and 31, in St. Louis, Missouri. PHS was one of 30 organizations selected from 200 applicants, mostly government agencies, to participate in this prestigious gathering, convened by the White House Council on Environmental Quality. More than 1,200 people attended.

"This was a great opportunity to gain national exposure for PHS and the work of our Philadelphia Green program," says PHS executive vice president Blaine Bonham. PHS's presentation, *Philadelphia Vacant Land Management and Reclamation*, focused on Philadelphia Green's vacant land program and its accomplishments over the past decade, working with residents, community organizations, businesses, and government to reclaim abandoned vacant lots. The presentation fit nicely into the theme of the conference—promoting partnerships and "cooperative conservation."

Along with Blaine Bonham, other panel participants included Philadelphia Green senior director Mike Groman; Patricia Smith, former director of Philadelphia's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative; Howard Neukrug, director of the Philadelphia Water Department's Office of Watersheds; and Susan Wachter, professor of real estate at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, who recently completed a study showing that greening increases property values.

CITY GARDENS CONTEST AWARDS RECEPTION

Winners of the 2005 PHS City Gardens Contest will celebrate their achievements at a reception in the Commonwealth Plaza of the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts on Sunday, October 23, at 2 pm. Photographs of the winning gardens will be on display at the Shops at Liberty Place (dates to be announced).

A Celebration for Community Gardeners
In July, more than 200 gardeners from across the city gathered at The Spring Gardens (18th & Wallace Streets) to celebrate community gardening. Folks brought covered dishes and were treated to live music, roast pig, and a variety of ethnic foods that reflect the city's diversity. The garden, one of Philadelphia Green's "Keystone Gardens," covers an entire city block.

John Gannon

2006 GOLD MEDAL PLANT AWARDS

The PHS Gold Medal Plant Award program recognizes and promotes beautiful and reliable trees, shrubs, and vines that thrive in the Mid-Atlantic region. Five plants have received the PHS Gold Medal for 2006:

- ***Eleutherococcus sieboldianus* 'Variegatus' (Beauty Briar)**, an arching, elegant deciduous shrub.
- ***Maackia amurensis* 'Starburst' ('Starburst' Amur Maackia)**, a small deciduous tree with exotic, rich green leaves and ornamental bark.
- ***Hydrangea paniculata* 'Limelight' (Panicle Hydrangea)**, a very hardy species of hydrangea.
- ***Wisteria frutescens* 'Amethyst Falls' (American Wisteria)**, a North American native wisteria.
- ***Quercus palustris* 'Pringreen' (Green Pillar® Pin Oak)**, a narrow, columnar cultivar of the native pin oak.

For detailed plant descriptions and photographs, as well as a complete list of all Gold Medal plants, please visit *www.goldmedal.com*. Also, see the October issue of *Green Scene* for an article on the 2006 winners.

PHS is grateful to the many individuals and organizations that help support the Gold Medal program. The **Gold Medal Plant Award Committee**, a volunteer panel of horticulturists, nursery owners, landscape professionals and home growers, meets twice yearly to select new plants. The **Chanticleer Foundation** provides financial support for the program and highlights Gold Medal plants at its Chanticleer Garden in Wayne, PA. Staff and members of the **Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association** help force and donate plants for the Gold Medal exhibit at the Philadelphia Flower Show each year.

Tim Wood

Hydrangea paniculata 'Limelight'

PHS ANNUAL MEETING

Please join us for the PHS Annual Meeting on **Tuesday, November 15**, at 5 pm at PHS headquarters, 100 North 20th Street, Philadelphia, PA. We will elect new members of Council, take up other committee business, and celebrate the recipients of the PHS Annual Awards (published in the July/August issue of *PHS News*).

At its June 22nd meeting, the Council approved the nomination of the following members for re-election to second three-year terms: Doris Gwaltney, Anne B. Kellett, Nicholas J. Kovich, Howard L. Meyers, J. William Mills III, and Melinda Moritz.

In addition, the Nominating Committee will place in nomination for three-year terms, beginning in November, 2005, the following persons who are not currently members of Council:

June Barry is senior vice president of human resources for Citizens Bank Mid-Atlantic Region. She serves on PHS's Human Resources Committee and is a member of the Board of Directors for Women's Way, the Forum for Executive Women, WHYY's Corporate Network Committee, and the Philadelphia School System Committee for Human Capital.

Leomar Cooper is an account representative for PharMerica in Plymouth Meeting. Leo is an active volunteer at Awbury Arboretum and a member of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board.

Sally N. Graham is a longtime volunteer at PHS. She has been serving as Council Secretary for the past four years and chairs the PHS Awards Selection, Development, and Garden Visits committees. Sally also serves on the Azalea Garden Party, Education Services, Executive, and Suburban Greening Award committees. In Chester County, Sally is a board member of the School at Church Farm.

Russell Meddin is the founding member and co-coordinator of the Free Schuylkill River Park Campaign, as well as a founding member and president of Philadelphians Against Graffiti. He has served on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board since 2000 and volunteers at the Flower Show, greeting tour buses. Russell is active in his Logan Square neighborhood and serves as a board member of the Mural Arts Advocates, Reading Terminal Market Preservation Fund, and Logan Square Neighborhood Association.

William Mellix is project coordinator at Synterra, Ltd. and has overseen the site/landscape design company's planning and design projects for sports arenas, universities, school districts, and housing authorities. As a member of the Philadelphia China Trade Mission, he traveled to Beijing, Shanghai, and six other cities in China to identify and develop partnering opportunities with local architects and engineers. Bill is vice-chair of the Yeadon Community Development Corporation and a member of the Shade Tree Board.

Jane Pollock is a member of the Flower Show Executive Committee. A former Infonet chair, she currently heads the corps of Flower Show Shoppe volunteers. Jane is the president of the Chestnut Hill Historical Society and serves on Our Mother of Consolation Parish Council.

Joseph Pyle has served as interim chief executive officer of Friends Hospital. Joe serves on boards of the American Association of Psychiatric Health Systems, the Delaware Valley Healthcare Council, and the Philadelphia Chapter of Outward Bound. He is a member of the Flower Show Executive Committee.

★ ★ ★ *Please return your signed proxy, we need your vote!* ★ ★ ★

PROXY FORM

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society
Annual Meeting of Members, November 15, 2005

The undersigned hereby appoints Harry E. Hill, Sally N. Graham, and Jane G. Pepper, each of them the true and lawful attorneys of said member, with full power of substitution to vote at the Annual Meeting of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, to be held at 5 pm on Tuesday, November 15, 2005, and at any adjournments thereof, with all the powers the undersigned would possess if personally present:

1. For the election of Council Members, all adult members of household should sign.
2. For the transaction of such other business as may come before said meeting.

All adult members of household should sign:

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Please return no later than October 28, 2005.
Mail to: PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA 19103. Fax to: 215-988-8810.

MCLEAN LIBRARY NEWS

Book Club

Now in its fifth year, the McLean Library's "Stories from the Garden" discussion group reconvenes in October. Each month, we will read and discuss works having to do with gardens, plants, or the land. The group meets the first Thursday evening of each month, beginning October 6, from 5:45 to 7:45 pm in the library. If you would like to participate, call 215-988-8782 or email *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org*.

2005 – 2006 reading schedule:

October 6	Anton Chekhov, "Betrothed" and selected short stories
November 3	Selection to be announced
December 1	Lewis Carroll, *Through the Looking Glass*
January 5	Octavio Paz, selected poems (to be announced)
February 2	Oliver Sacks, *Oaxaca Journal*
April 6	Jerzy Kosinski, *Being There*
May 4	Sarah Orne Jewett, *The Country of the Pointed Firs*
June 1	A.S. Byatt, *Angels & Insects*, "Morpho Eugenia"

Logan Square Exhibit

Logan Square on the Benjamin Franklin Parkway is one of Philadelphia's most beloved public places, where generations of children have splashed in the magnificent Swann Memorial Fountain, designed by Wilson Eyre, Jr. and sculpted by Alexander Stirling Calder.

In an exhibit in the PHS McLean Library, opening on **September 15**, you will see glimpses of the Square's past as well as plans for landscape renovations that will begin in September. Learn about new plantings, designed by Olin Partnership under PHS management, that will encircle the fountain, as well as plans for improvements to the traffic circle in the Square. A partnership between PHS and the Fairmount Park Commission, the project is funded by The Pew Charitable Trusts and the City of Philadelphia. This exhibit will change to follow the progress of Parkway improvements.

Book Sale Postponed

The McLean Library Book Sale, originally scheduled for October 5, will be postponed to a later date, which will be announced in a future *PHS News* and posted on the PHS website. We will continue to offer our ongoing sale of used books on the "Bargain Book Cart," so stop by to browse, 9 am to 5 pm, Monday through Friday.

2006 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Enchanted Spring ...
A Tribute to Mother Nature

What does Mother Nature look like? And more to the point for a horticulturist, what would her garden look like?

These are the kinds of questions that have kept Sam Lemheney awake at night for the past year and a half since he joined the PHS staff as director of design for the Philadelphia Flower Show.

A huge "Floratopia Tree," dripping with flowers and studded with birds, butterflies, and moss will greet visitors at the entrance to the 2006 Show. From there, viewers will enter "Mother Nature's Garden," an exhibit designed by Jack Blandy of the award-winning Stoney Bank Nurseries, which explores three elements of nature: water, wind, and fire.

Rising 27 feet from the Show floor and made of flowers and plants, Sam's vision of Mother Nature, "Natura," reclines as a waterfall spills from her outstretched hand. The internationally renowned design group, Life3, will create large alcoves in the figure that overflow with flowers in every color of the rainbow.

"The Flower Show will have plenty of practical ideas for home gardeners," says Sam, "but for the Central Feature we wanted to create a fantasy world." Sam adds that the inspiration for Natura came from "the fairytales that I read to my daughter."

The renowned European floral design group Life 3 includes (left to right) Tomas De Bruyne, Per Benjamin, and Max van de Sluis.

FALL OPEN HOUSE AT MEADOWBROOK FARM

Saturday, October 22, 2005 • 10 am to 5pm

It's a costume party for the kids and a great day of fall shopping for everyone! Meadowbrook Farm will host its annual Fall Open House on Saturday, October 22, from 10 am to 5 pm. Enjoy self-guided tours, fall-themed plantings and decorations, and children's activities, as well as free demonstrations throughout the day.

There will also be free refreshments, prize drawings, and sales. Meadowbrook Farm, an affiliate of PHS, is located at 1633 Washington Lane in Abington Township. For more information, please visit *www.gotomeadowbrook.com* or call 215-887-5900.

STAFF NEWS

Melissa A. DeRuiter joined the PHS staff in August as a new director of development. Melissa came to PHS from Pennsylvania Ballet, where she served as a grants manager and later became assistant director of development. Prior to her job with the Ballet, Melissa worked at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts as director of membership and annual giving.

At PHS, Melissa will be responsible for major individual gifts and grants management and will oversee the Flower Show Preview Dinner and the Azalea Garden Party.

Development director Suzanne Betts, who joined PHS in 1993, will continue to oversee PHS membership, with a focus on growth and retention.

FLOWER ARRANGING EVENTS: "FLOWERS IN OUR LIVES" BY ELS TEUNISSEN

PHS is pleased to offer a series of special events with premier Dutch floral designer **Els Teunissen**. Her designs have been featured around the world, from the Academy Awards to royal functions to weddings and floral exhibitions.

Demonstration

Wednesday, October 5, 2005, 10 am – noon
(Arrive at 9 am for the boutique, raffle ticket sales, and coffee or tea.)
The Philadelphia Museum of Art
26th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia
FREE PARKING

Workshops

Participants will take home at least two arrangements and have the opportunity to work personally with Els.
Thursday, October 6, 2005
Beginner to Intermediate: 9 am – noon
Friday, October 7, 2005
Intermediate to Advanced: 9 am – noon
PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia

All proceeds benefit the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Student and group rates are available. Please call Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 for more information.

Registration Form

PHS News

Please complete this form and return to: Lisa Wiley, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 North 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495. Make checks payable to PHS. You may also fax the form to 215-988-8810 or register by telephone (215-988-8832).

Name _____

Phone _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Wednesday, October 5: **Demonstration, Art Museum** *(open seating)* _____ reservations @$55 = $_____
($60 at the door)

Wednesday, October 5: **Demonstration, Art Museum** *(preferred seating)* _____ reservations @$75 = $_____

Thursday, October 6: **Workshop, Beginner to Intermediate, PHS** _____ reservations @$140 = $_____

Friday, October 7: **Workshop, Intermediate to Advanced, PHS** _____ reservations @$140 = $_____

Total = $_____

Registering for two or more people? Please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

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EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS · EDUCATIONAL

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

PROPAGATING FERNS FROM SPORES

Thursday, September 29, 10 am – noon

Horticulturist and frequent Flower Show blue-ribbon winner **Virginia Page-Hentschel**, of Meadowbrook Farm, will cover everything you need to know about this fascinating, specialized form of plant propagation. Topics will include how to identify spores on ferns, how to collect the spores, the proper medium and conditions for sowing the spores, and optimum conditions as your fern grows. **Limit: 20. Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

GARDEN WORK IN FALL

Thursday, October 20, 10 am – noon

Many homeowners see the cooler temperatures and shorter days of fall as a time when the garden dies back and the only job left is raking leaves. But, with cooler temperatures, this is the ideal time for garden tasks such as cutting back; dividing and transplanting perennials; pruning trees and shrubs; planting seasonal gardens of pansies, mums, and asters; preparing beds for spring; and planning next year's extravaganzas. This is also a good time to resume planting, as fall usually brings more consistent moisture. **Bill Thaller** will discuss these topics, show examples, and offer suggestions to make your next spring rush easier. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOPS

THE BASICS OF GARDEN DESIGN MASTER CLASS

Tuesday and Wednesday, October 18 & 19, 10 am – 4 pm
PHS Auditorium

This two-day course offers a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to work with a leading British educator and garden designer and come away with a professional garden design drawing you create yourself. With many years of experience teaching garden design from a practical standpoint, **Frank Hardy** proposes a logical, step-by-step approach. You will engage in every step of the design process, from a site survey to the finished drawing, and leave with the tools and inspiration you need to design your own garden.

Each student will receive a course manual outlining the design principles and plants covered. The small class size ensures individual attention. A materials list will be mailed to all participants, with some supplies provided and some available for a modest fee. Lunch and snacks will be provided both days. Although highly intensive, this class will be taught in a friendly and engaging way and is suitable for both novices and experienced gardeners. **Limit 20. Fee: $395 members, $450 non-members.**

Frank Hardy is a garden consultant who recently retired from Pershore College of Horticulture in England after 13 years of teaching and directing academic studies. He studied at Writtle College; worked for parks, nurseries, and landscape companies; and lectured at the Scottish Agriculture College at Ayr before becoming vice president of Pershore College. He is a prolific writer and frequent panelist and advisor at major horticultural shows.

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. Please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.penncourses.org*.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays, October 25, November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, December 6, 13, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS Classroom

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor and have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality, this is the class for you. Presented by **Eileen Rosen**, this class will include mixing colors, making a color journal, creating form and dimensionality, and a discussion of brushes and paper. It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. **Limit: 15. Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members. Sign up early; this class usually has a waiting list.**

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America.

BASIC IKEBANA

Wednesday, October 26, 10 am – noon
PHS Classroom

Ikebana is the Japanese art of formal flower arranging. Using balance, harmony and form, Ikebana expresses impressions of nature through flowers. Instructor **Midori Tanimune** will explain the fundamentals of this traditional art form and provide guidance as you use fresh flowers and greenery to create a classic arrangement to take home. Please bring floral scissors; other materials, including a kenzan (needle holder for flowers), container, and fresh plant material will be provided. **Limit: 20. Fee: $55 members, $65 non-members.**

Midori Tanimune is ranked in the top teaching levels by the Sogetsu School in Tokyo. She has taught for more than 30 years and has exhibited and conducted demonstrations at the Philadelphia Flower Show, Longwood Gardens, the Shofuso Japanese House and Garden in Fairmount Park, and many other venues. Her captivating teaching style has inspired and encouraged countless arrangers of all levels.

TRIP

WAVE HILL AND NEW YORK BOTANICAL GARDEN

Thursday, October 27, 7 am – 8 pm, approximately
Coach leaves from 20th and Arch Streets and the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park

Our trip to the New York City area features two notable public gardens at their peak of glorious fall color. Wave Hill, in the Riverdale section of the Bronx, is a fabulous collection of gardens overlooking the scenic Hudson River and Palisades. Under the guidance of former horticultural director Marco Polo Stufano, Wave Hill has become one of the finest of New York City's public gardens. Our guided tour will feature an alpine house, wild garden, shade garden, conservatory, and woodland.

From Wave Hill we will drive to the New York Botanical Garden and have lunch and a guided tour of the special exhibit *Momijigari:* The Japanese Autumn Garden. We will see prized Japanese maples in blazing colors in the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory courtyard, along with artfully crafted bonsai and stunning chrysanthemums. There will be time on your own to enjoy the gardens, take a tram tour, and visit the garden shop, which will offer a discount for participants. Fee includes bus, snacks, lunch voucher, and tours. **Limit: 40. Fee: $110 members, $120 non-members.**

IN THE GARDEN

SUSTAINABLE GARDENING AT NORTHVIEW

Wednesday, September 28, 10 am – noon
Ambler, PA

Here's a success story to inspire and encourage novices as well as seasoned gardeners. In 1997 when **Jenny Rose Carey** and her husband purchased "Northview," a Victorian farmhouse built in 1887, the property was largely filled with meadow and old trees that had been neglected for many years. With a few exceptions, such as a stunning, 100-year-old cut-leaf Japanese maple, almost everything on the property today was planned and planted, using organic, non-chemical methods, by Jenny Rose Carey. This five-acre landscape encompasses four main gardens: the Entrance Garden, Herb Garden, Perennial Garden, and Woodland Garden. There is also a Labyrinth Garden, a Moss Garden, and a Fountain Garden. Jenny will discuss how she created and maintains these beautiful garden areas using minimal supplemental water and the least toxic gardening methods. **Limit: 25. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

British-born Jenny Rose Carey is the daughter of a botanist and designed her first garden at age 16. She has since designed many gardens on both sides of the Atlantic. She teaches horticultural topics to students of all ages and is currently director of the Landscape Arboretum at Temple University, Ambler Campus.

THE JAPANESE GARDEN: BASIC DESIGN PRINCIPLES

Saturday, October 15, 1 – 3 pm
Shofuso Japanese House and Garden, Fairmount Park, Philadelphia

If you have ever admired Japanese gardening traditions and wished to recreate their serene moods in your own garden, you will enjoy this opportunity to meet **Ian Simpkins** at Shofuso, the Japanese House in Fairmount Park. Ian will cover the basic principles of Japanese gardening, including perspective, textures, and placement. He will also cover the development of Japanese gardens, basic horticultural techniques, plants, and gardening methods unique to the Japanese garden. A tour of the garden is included. **Limit: 20. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Ian Simpkins became director of Shofuso in 2002. He received a BS in horticulture from North Carolina State University, studying under JC Raulston. He has worked at the JC Raulston Arboretum; Scott Arboretum; Tyler Arboretum; and Riverbanks, in South Carolina.

GROWING HARDY CAMELLIAS AT HEDGLEIGH SPRING

Saturday, October 29, 1 – 3 pm
Swarthmore, PA

Yes, you can grow camellias in the Delaware Valley! Recent plant exploration and breeding have resulted in new, hardier varieties of this beloved evergreen that can be grown successfully outdoors in our region. **Charles Cresson** has been testing these plants for more than 20 years in his celebrated garden, Hedgleigh Spring, in Swarthmore, PA. Join him for a tour of his collection, during peak fall bloom, and learn what he looks for as he selects the best varieties for both spring and fall displays. **Limit: 25. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Charles Cresson is a garden designer, consultant, photographer, and author. He is the award-winning author of three books: *Charles Cresson on the American Flower Garden*; *Ornamental Trees*, and *Rock Gardening*, as well as the guidebook to Meadowbrook Farm.

WALK

TREES OF PENNSYLVANIA

Tuesday, September 20, 5:30 – 7:30 pm
The Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Inspired by the recent release of their acclaimed book, *Trees of Pennsylvania*, and using the gorgeous grounds of the Morris Arboretum as an outdoor classroom, **Ann Fowler Rhoads** and **Timothy A. Block** will give us a whole new perspective on the native and naturalized trees that surround us. Besides revealing clues that help with tree identification, Ann and Timothy will discuss the "personalities" of Pennsylvania trees, their histories, uses, where they grow, and in some cases, why they are here. In the event of inclement weather, there will be an indoor slide presentation. Copies of *Trees of Pennsylvania* will be available for purchase and signing by the authors. **Limit 25. Fee: $5 members, $10 non-members.**

Ann Rhoads and Timothy Block serve on the Morris Arboretum staff. Ann is senior scientist of the Pennsylvania Flora Project, and Timothy is director of botany.

CONFERENCE

2005 Perennial Plant Conference

Friday, October 14, 8 am – 5 pm
Lang Performing Arts Center
Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA

Get a preview of promising new plant introductions and enjoy lectures on a variety of topics, including the art of creating color harmony, hybridizing native perennials, and building a garden design business. Speakers include **Jim Ault**, director of ornamental plant research at the Chicago Botanic Garden; **Sydney Eddison**, teacher, lecturer, and author of six books on gardening; **Jerry Fritz**, president of Jerry Fritz Garden Designs, Inc.; **Pamela Harper**, writer, lecturer, photographer, and author of *Time Tested Perennials*; **Thomas Hobbs**, owner of Southlands Nursery in Vancouver, Canada; and **Ed Snodgrass**, owner and president of Emory Knoll Farms, Inc. and Green Roof Plants.

For information, please contact the Continuing Education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000, ext. 507, Monday through Friday, 8 am to 4 pm. You can also pick up a brochure at PHS headquarters. Register Early!

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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Signature: _____

Please reserve credit card use for purchases over $10
Mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS REGISTRATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

FALL TREE TENDER WORKSHOPS

Become a Tree Tender!

In partnership with Penn State Cooperative Extension, PHS offers nine hours of tree-care training for residents of Philadelphia and the surrounding region. The training will cover tree biology, identification, planting, proper care, and working within your community. The course is free but registration is required. Pizza will be provided.

Over the past 15 years, Southeastern Pennsylvania has lost millions of trees. The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has created a public-private partnership, *TreeVitalize*, to help restore the region's tree cover (the percentage of land shaded by trees). You can help by becoming a Tree Tender.

Wednesdays, September 14, 21, 28, 5:45 – 8:45 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th Street
Philadelphia, PA

Tuesdays, October 11, 18, 25, 6 – 9 pm
Ridley Creek State Park
1023 Sycamore Mills Road
Media, PA

Thursdays, Oct 27, Nov 3 & 10, 6 – 9 pm
West Chester Municipal Building
401 East Gay Street
West Chester, PA

To register, please contact Julianne Schieffer, 610-489-4315 or *jxs51@psu.edu*, or Mindy Maslin, 215-988-8844 or *mmaslin@pennhort.org*. You can also register through the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar." For more information on TreeVitalize, please visit *www.treevitalize.net*.

Nationally and locally recognized speakers will explore the latest in arboriculture and community forestry at a statewide **Urban Forestry Conference** scheduled for September 27 & 28, 2005 at Penn State University, Great Valley campus, Malvern, PA. To register for the conference or for more information, please contact Dr. Bill Elmendorf at 814-863-7941 or *wfel@psu.edu*.

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THANKS TO OUR 2005 GARDEN VISIT HOSTS

PHS would like to thank the generous property owners who opened their gardens to PHS members for the 2005 Spring Garden Visits. Many thanks, too, to all the volunteers who help make this popular program possible, especially the Garden Visit Committee: Sally Graham (chair), Alice Doering, Kate Farrell, Susan Hudson, and Alan Slack.

French Creek, May 22, 2005
Michael and Susan Hudson
Dr. Doris R. Schoel
Margaret Welcomer
Caroline Amidon
Anne Winn
Welkinweir
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph N. Pew III
French Creek Ridge Winery

Lower Main Line, May 8, 2005
Elizabeth Braun and Paul Tierney
Beverly and Donald Fitts
Charles and Edna Foa Kahn
Elizabeth and William McLean
Dennis Milstein

Trenton, June 12, 2005
Ken and Mettie Fisher
Carol Lipson
Heather and Mahlon Lovett
Kate and Ferdinand Roebling
Katherine and Jones Toland

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REMEMBERING ERNESTA BALLARD

When Ernesta Ballard died in August, many PHS staff and members lost a treasured colleague, mentor, and friend. *The Philadelphia Inquirer* captured the essence of Ernesta's contributions well in the headline to her obituary when they called her "one of Philadelphia's great citizens."

Long after Ernesta retired and was no longer our official "boss," PHS executive vice president Blaine Bonham and I would often noodle over what "Mom" would have done in a particular situation, and each person on staff who had the great fortune to work with her was so grateful to have had that opportunity. Some of us were young people in search of a career when we came to PHS; others were not so young and in search of a more rewarding career. Ernesta encouraged us all to develop skills and make the best use of our talents. In my own case, Ernesta introduced me to a career I could never have dreamed of without her encouragement.

Ernesta provided excellent leadership to both staff and volunteers. Some will recall her as determined and with an indomitable spirit that enabled her to move forward and get things done. Some may remember her as austere and maybe even distant. But others will remember the times when Ernesta navigated delicate situations with finesse and supported staff and volunteers as they went through personal challenges. As the saying goes, she was "always there for you."

There are probably only a few people left who were around to witness the Council meetings in the early 1960s, when Ernesta was building the case that PHS should take over the management of the Philadelphia Flower Show from a group of prominent nurserymen and florists. Many of us, however, know the colorful stories, and I can only imagine Ernesta was in her element, leading the charge to persuade the (mostly male) Council that this was a good move for PHS.

At the outset, as PHS ran deficits, Ernesta was beset by challenges and naysayers. Within a couple of years however, she had turned the Shows operation around. Her next challenge was to get Council members to embrace her thoughts on how to invest the revenues PHS was starting to generate from the Flower Show. First, she started *Green Scene*, a gardening magazine to be written by and for regional gardeners.

Her next investment was to purchase a truck and hire a couple of staff members who she sent into communities to see whether residents were interested in planting vegetable gardens on vacant lots. The response was speedy and positive, and soon Philadelphia Green, today the nation's most ambitious and comprehensive community greening program, was up and running. As Blaine Bonham, who worked with her on the beginnings of Philadelphia Green said, "Ernesta always had a broad view of life and she understood so well the connections between the health of our communities and the health of our city. She built Philadelphia Green on the principle we employ to this day: that horticulture is a powerful tool with which to empower people to improve their communities."

Thanks Ernesta, for all you did for PHS as our leader from 1963 through 1980 and for many years thereafter. You set a great example, and we are happy to be moving onward and upward.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

MEMBERS' DAY A SUNNY SUCCESS

In a happy contrast to the previous two, very soggy years, sunshine ruled the day at the 2005 PHS Members' Day, held at the Philadelphia Naval Yard. Here, a happy member carries a box of dividend plants bound for her home garden. Approximately 1,600 people attended.

PHS ANNUAL REPORT NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE!

The 2005 PHS Annual Report is now available on our website (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*). Just click on "Latest News" to read a summary of last year's accomplishments, including the Flower Show and the work of Philadelphia Green. You can also view a financial report for the year, as well as a list of contributors to PHS. If you would like a printed copy, please contact the publications office at 215-988-8768 or *editnews@pennhort.org*.

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW
MEADOWBROOK FARM

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

Pepperpot will return in the January issue.

GREEN SCENE "PHOTO CONTEST" WINNERS COMING IN DECEMBER!

In December, you'll be able to view the winning photographs of our *Green Scene* "Garden Photo Contest" in two locations: the December issue of *Green Scene* and on the PHS website (*www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*).

In addition to having their work published in the magazine and online, our winners will also receive cameras and film prizes from **Ritz Camera** and **Fuji Film**.

We'd like to thank everyone who submitted their photographs for the contest. There were many pictures of excellent quality, and the judges had a tough time picking the best ones. But "judging" from the enthusiastic response we received, it's certain that we will run the contest again next year, and definitely with a few new surprises. Congratulations to all winners and entrants alike!

– Pete Prown, Green Scene editor
(pprown@pennhort.org)

RITZ CAMERA IMAGE FUJIFILM

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS

At the end of each year, we celebrate the contributions of thousands of volunteers who help the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society fulfill its mission of *creating a sense of community through horticulture*. All year long, volunteers are donating their time to serve on committees, direct visitors at the Flower Show, staff the "Ask-a-Gardener" hotline, provide activities at Kids Grow Expo, and fill many other roles.

We invite you to visit the "Latest News" section of the PHS website to view a complete list of all those who served on PHS committees during 2005. From all of us at PHS, our heartfelt thanks!

Volunteers help out in the Plant Dividend Tent at Members' Day 2004.

NATURA COMES TO THE '06 FLOWER SHOW

If there's one single word you need to know before coming to the **2006 Philadelphia Flower Show (March 5–12)**, it's *Natura*. As you wander through the Show's Central Feature exhibits, you will find this lavish floral sculpture representing Mother Nature. What's really impressive is that this one-of-a-kind figure will be more than 25 feet tall and 60 feet in diameter and made completely from plants. Show visitors are sure to be dazzled.

Says Sam Lemheney, the Flower Show's design director, "No question, Natura is going to be the most elaborate display the Show has ever mounted. The Flower Show is all about creating things that people have never seen before, and that's what we were going for here in a big way."

To achieve Natura's impressive height, the designers are using some novel approaches. "There will be no frame," notes Sam. "Instead, we'll use big blocks of foam as the support system and then build out from there—we'll be using plants almost like a sculptor uses clay."

Sam's partner in Natura's creation is award-winning designer Michael Petrie of Styer's Nursery in Concordville, PA, who describes the project this way: "It's an exciting challenge, both mechanically and aesthetically. Because there is no armature, it will be difficult to prepare any parts of the sculpture in advance," he explains. "And, because people can walk entirely around the sculpture, there will be no hiding anything. We want Natura to have a human form and a sensuous, mysterious feeling. We want her to look as if she is emerging directly from the garden."

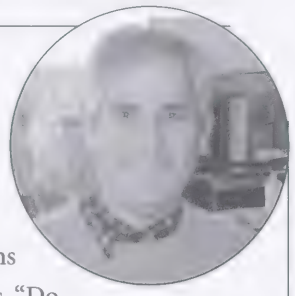
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW '06 OFFICIAL PRESENTATION

Also onboard will be Life 3, an internationally known trio of European floral arrangers. (See page 5 for information on special events with Life3.) Their task will be to create blooming "caves" at the base perimeter around Natura. Each design will focus on a different color of the rainbow and, judging by the threesome's previous work, will surely be "cutting edge."

Sam Lemheney will talk about this year's Show in a lecture on December 6. See page 6 for details.

For more information on the 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show, please visit www.theflowershow.com *or call 215-988-8899.*

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: RUSSELL MEDDIN



Who is that masked cyclist riding around the Logan Square neighborhood (in Center City Philadelphia)? It's Russell Meddin, a one-man anti-graffiti machine who has taken it upon himself to remove any undesirable spray paint almost as soon as it appears. (Russell is a founding member and president of Philadelphians Against Graffiti.) With PHS located right in the middle of his neighborhood, he muses, "Do you ever see graffiti around the building?" The answer, of course, is "no."

But then Russell decided he had to do even more. "If you want to keep your neighborhood beautiful, you have to do more than keep the buildings clean," he says. "You have to beautify the land."

He then added a range of greening and gardening tasks to his "to do" list. In 1997, Russell coordinated volunteers for the monumental cleanup of debris along the slope of JFK Boulevard. Today, of course, this entryway to Center City from 30th Street Station is a lush greenway with an annual display of daffodils. As a board member of the Logan Square Neighborhood Association, he increased his involvement to include the garden committee. And then there are his "guerrilla gardens."

"I just got fed up with pieces of land in the neighborhood that were being neglected," he explains. "So I decided to garden on this land" (initially, without permission from the city, he admits). Today, though, Russell has gone "legit," and one of these original gardens, the Triangle Garden at 23rd & Winter Streets, is now a fully sanctioned open space. Across the street from PHS, Russell helped start the Gas Station Garden and continues to lend a hand at its volunteer workdays.

Russell recently joined the PHS Council and has served on Philadelphia Green's Advisory Board for the past five years. He also volunteers at the Philadelphia Flower Show, where he leads early-morning tours and acts as a welcoming ambassador to visitors. He's currently a "stay-at-home dad," but eventually plans to re-enter the workforce. Let's hope that he'll still have the time to fight the good fight. Every neighborhood needs greening advocates like Russell Meddin.

– John Gannon

2005 PHS CITY GARDENS CONTEST

More than 300 entries were received for the 2005 City Gardens Contest, and, unfortunately, space restraints make it impossible to list all of the winners here. Following are the **first-place winners in the individual categories.** For a complete list of all award winners, including those in the community gardens categories, please visit the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. Congratulations to all who entered!

From **January 9 through 13, you can view photographs of the winning gardens**, as well as winners of the 2005 Suburban Greening Awards, in the main lobby of the Shops at Liberty Place, 16th and Chestnut Streets in Center City Philadelphia. The exhibit will be shown in the main rotunda. Don't miss it!

Suzanne Wheeling

Garden of Earl Eberwein

Individual Children's Gardens

Carina & Aimon Flaherty

Individual Container Gardens

Hester R. Beckman
Earl Eberwein
Kathleen Factor
Zelma Gorham
Lynne Luttrell

Individual Vegetable Gardens

John Caniz
Lawrence King
Michael Pavuk
Domenico Scicchitano

Individual Combination Vegetable/Flower Gardens

Adrian Carr & Leopold Reid
Joan Haley
Toney Lucas

Individual Flower Gardens

Iris Brown
Gail Chapman
Barbara Elliot
Charlie Heiser
Kimberly Lock
Edward Ruback
Nelson Shores
Rosemary Tilli
Terry J. Versailles & Richard Funk

2005 SUBURBAN GREENING AWARDS

Congratulations to the following recipients of the 2005 Suburban Greening Award, which recognizes outstanding public-space plantings in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Delaware. Winners have received framed certificates and signs to display in their gardens.

(Winners are listed alphabetically by municipality.)

Bird Observatory Garden at Briar Bush Nature Center, Abington, PA
Temple Ambler Formal Perennial Garden, Ambler, PA
Steinbach Veterinary Hospital, Blue Bell, PA
Bryn Athyn Cathedral, Bryn Athyn, PA
Vincent Elementary School, Chester Springs, PA
Woodland Village Shops, Clermont, NJ
Environmental Garden, Collegeville, PA
Emmaus Entrance Garden, Emmaus, PA
Emmaus Memorial Garden, Emmaus, PA
Hatfield Township Municipal Building, Hatfield, PA
St. Mary's Medical Center, Langhorne, PA
St. Stanislaus Church Garden, Lansdale, PA

Remembrance Garden in Stone Harbor, NJ

Great Valley Corporate Center, Malvern, PA
Pearl S. Buck International, Hilltown Township, Perkasie, PA
Median strip along Rt. 420, Prospect Park, PA
Woods Lane plantings, Radnor, PA
Sabold School, Springfield, PA
Remembrance Garden, Stone Harbor, NJ
Town Center of Swarthmore, Swarthmore, PA
Ann's Choice Retirement Community, Warminster, PA
Broad Street Plantings, Woodbury, NJ

SHOPPING DISCOUNTS FOR PHS MEMBERS FOR THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Get a head start on your holiday or seasonal shopping and receive a **generous 20% discount** at area nurseries and garden centers. Bring your PHS membership card to the following vendors on the dates and times noted and choose from an intriguing array of gifts for garden enthusiasts, including tools and supplies, gardening books, garden accents, seasonal plants and houseplants, and holiday decorations. The discount applies to regular-priced merchandise and cannot be combined with other coupons or offers. Some restrictions apply.

To receive your discount, **simply present your membership card before the sale is rung on the cash register**. If you have friends who would like to take advantage of this opportunity, they can join PHS today by telephone at 215-988-8776 or 215-988-8832.

Sunday, November 13

Smith & Hawken Day

Store hours vary; please call your favorite store for hours. To find a store near you, visit *www.smith-hawken.com*.

Smith & Hawken will offer a special shopping day for PHS members with a 20% discount on merchandise in all S & H stores. Present your membership card or the S & H postcard (which you will receive in the mail) with your name on it. If you patronize a Smith & Hawken store in another area or state, the discount is still in effect; simply present your membership card and the postcard. Catalog orders are not included.

Sunday, November 20, 9 am – 1 pm:

Waldor Orchids

10 E. Poplar Avenue • Linwood, NJ 08221

609-927-4126

An incredible variety of orchid plants and related supplies.

Sunday, November 20, noon to 5 pm:

Feeney's

1134 Bustleton Pike • Feasterville, PA 19053

215-322-4300

A wonderful array of items for the home and garden. Dept. 56, Byers Choice, and Christopher Radko are excluded from the discount due to manufacturers' constraints.

Mostardi's Nursery

4033 West Chester Pike • Newtown Square, PA 19073

610-356-8035

Seasonal holiday décor and gift items as well as houseplants and all-occasion garden gifts.

Primex Garden Center

435 W. Glenside Avenue • Glenside, PA 19038

215-887-7500

Retail shop, nursery, and greenhouse for fine gardening products, gifts, and plants.

Triple Oaks Nursery

2359 Delsea Drive • Franklinville, NJ 08322

856-694-4272

Large number of plants, gardening supplies, and accessories in shop and plant loft. Byers Choice items excluded by manufacturer's request.

TREEVITALIZE! PLANT A TREE TODAY

Join the efforts of thousands across Southeastern Pennsylvania.

TreeVitalize
A partnership to restore tree cover in Southeast PA

Over the past 15 years, millions of trees have died or have been destroyed in Southeastern Pennsylvania without being replaced, diminishing the region's tree cover (the percentage of land shaded by trees). TreeVitalize, a program of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, aims to reverse this trend by planting thousands of trees in the region.

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society has joined this cause and invites you to help plant 1,000 trees this fall in the five-county Philadelphia region. PHS is encouraging members to plant a tree in your home or community and enlist your friends and neighbors to plant one, too.

Plant a tree this year and receive a rebate of up to $25 issued by PHS. To participate, fill out the form below and follow the instructions. A rebate of 25% on the cost of your tree, up to $25, is available to the first 1,000 people who return a valid sales receipt. To qualify for the rebate:

- Purchase and plant a tree(s) in Southeastern Pennsylvania in the counties of Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, or Philadelphia.
- Complete the attached card and submit it, along with your dated sales receipt, before December 31, 2005. The receipt must clearly state that you have purchased a tree (not a shrub). Merchant validation is acceptable.
- Mail the card (below) with sales receipt to:
  PHS, TreeVitalize Rebate, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor
  Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495.

TreeVitalize Rebate Form

Name: ☐ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

Phone: _____

Email address: _____

For additional rebate forms, go to www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org. *For more information on TreeVitalize, visit* www.treevitalize.net.

THE PERFECT HOLIDAY GIFT – A PHS MEMBERSHIP

This holiday season, treat your friends and family to a PHS membership! Membership includes tickets to the Philadelphia Flower Show, exciting travel opportunities, PHS education programs, and exclusive shopping discounts.* **Purchase a gift Household Membership before December 10 and save 10%.** (Discount applies only to Household 1, 2, 3 and 4 memberships.) To purchase a gift membership, please call 215-988-8776 or 215-988-8832.

Other great benefits include:

White Flower Farm

New members receive a one-time, $25 merchandise credit on any purchase from the White Flower Farm catalogue. Anyone who purchases from WFF and says or enters the code "PENHS" when they place an order with White Flower Farm (online or through catalog) will activate a 10% donation to PHS from WFF.

Subaru

Save up to $3,000** on the purchase or lease of any new Subaru through the VIP program. Plus, Subaru will make a special donation to PHS for each new vehicle purchased.

PNC

Purchase a Philadelphia Flower Show Check Card for $10, and PNC will donate $5 to PHS.

*For complete information on membership categories and benefits, please visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* or call 215-988-8776 or 8832.

**From manufacturer's suggested retail price to dealer invoice. Limited time offer; subject to change without notice. Terms and conditions apply. Select participating dealers. Depending on model and equipment selected.

JANE PEPPER RECEIVES AWARD FROM MASSACHUSETTS HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

In a ceremony on September 22, the Massachusetts Horticultural Society (MHS) recognized PHS president Jane Pepper for her "eminent horticultural accomplishments" by presenting her with its Grand Gold Medal.

First struck in 1845, this medal has been awarded only once before. Bob Gore—a PHS Council member in the late 1980s before he moved to Boston and became a Trustee of the Massachusetts Horticultural Society—presented the medal to Jane, noting that, from his perspective, she is the "rock star" of horticulture. A press release provided by MHS noted that PHS's programs and activities have seen "tremendous growth under Pepper's leadership." Jane Pepper became president of PHS in 1981.

In her acceptance speech, Jane complimented the work of MHS, which is now led by executive director Thomas Herrera-Mischler, who once worked for PHS in the Philadelphia Green program.

For over a century, MHS has recognized individuals of great merit in the world of horticulture by awarding medals in honor of their accomplishments. Considered among the most prestigious horticultural awards in America, the Honorary Medals are presented once a year. For more information, please visit the MHS website at *www.masshort.org*.

FLORAL DEMONSTRATIONS AND WORKSHOPS WITH LIFE3

Renowned European Floral Designers

Be inspired! For the first time in the US, Life3—three of Europe's top floral designers—will help create one of this year's Philadelphia Flower Show Central Features, Natura, the goddess of Nature, and will host floral workshops and a demonstration at the Show (March 5–12). These World Cup Flower Arrangers will demonstrate their unique style in an electrifying presentation. After the demonstration, enjoy light refreshments and meet the designers face to face. Max van de Sluis from the Netherlands, Tomas De Bruyne from Belgium and Per Benjamin from Sweden will sign their newest books. Seating is limited.

Flower Show Admission is not necessary to attend these events, but may be purchased separately.

Demonstration:

Monday, March 6, 1–2:30 pm
Lecture Hall, Room 114
PA Convention Center, 13th & Arch Streets Entrance
Reception: "Meet the Artists," Exhibit & Book Signing 2:30–3:30 pm

Workshops:

"Life 3–Structures" (Frameworks)
"Life 3–At Home" (Home Décor)
"Life 3–Innovations" (Bouquets)
Tuesday, March 7, 10 am–12 Noon OR 2–4 pm
Rooms 109, 111, 113
PA Convention Center, 13th & Arch Streets Entrance
$135 per person. Materials included. Workshop participants should bring their own tools.

Life 3 Registration Form

Register by phone, fax or mail. Make checks payable to PHS and send to: Life3 Events, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495 • Telephone: 215 988-8879 • Fax 215 988-8810
Life3 tickets are non-refundable. Event tickets and confirmation will be mailed to registrants.

Name _____ Daytime Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

City, State, Zip _____

If registering for two or more people, please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

Monday, March 6: Floral Demonstration & Reception (open seating)			_____ reservations @ $ 40 = _____
Monday, March 6: Floral Demonstration & Reception (preferred seating)			_____ reservations @ $ 60 = _____
Tuesday, March 7: "Life3 – Structures" Workshop	☐ AM	☐ PM	_____ reservations @ $135 = _____
Tuesday, March 7: "Life3 – At Home" Workshop*	☐ AM	☐ PM	_____ reservations @ $135 = _____
Tuesday, March 7: "Life3 – Innovations" Workshop*	☐ AM	☐ PM	_____ reservations @ $135 = _____
Flower Show Admission			_____ tickets @ $20 = _____
			Shipping & Handling = FREE
Proceeds benefit the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.			Total $ _____

☐ *Please check here if you are available (flexible) for either morning or afternoon workshop sessions.

Method of Payment (non-refundable):
☐ Check enclosed (payable to PA Horticultural Society) OR Charge my ☐ Visa ☐ MasterCard ☐ American Express

Name as it appears on credit card _____

Card # _____ Expiration date _____

Signature _____

TRAVEL WITH US

PHS offers exciting tours in the United States and abroad to outstanding public and private gardens and homes. Itineraries are available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. To receive a printed copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens in Sicily Plus

May 9 – 20, 2006

Our journey begins on the island of Sicily, where we'll see perfectly preserved Greek temples and other historic structures—all evidence of the diverse civilizations that have left their mark on this fascinating island. We'll visit private gardens belonging to members of the Sicilian aristocracy. Along our way, the hills will be carpeted with an astonishing variety of wildflowers. We'll take the ferry at sunset from Palermo, and as the sun rises over Vesuvius, we'll enter the bay of Naples to visit more private gardens and drive along the world-famous Costa Amalfitana, where tiny towns like Positano and Amalfi cling to the cliff-face. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

Norfolk and Sussex with Jane Pepper

June 4 – 15

PHS president Jane Pepper will lead this tour of English gardens in Norfolk and Sussex, home to some of the country's most important gardens. The relatively low-lying and open countryside of Norfolk includes some magnificent estates with superb gardens. By contrast, the Sussex countryside is more rolling and enclosed and dotted with smaller gardens. Ann and Colin Senior, who led a very successful tour of Gloucestershire this summer, return as tour organizers.

New England Sojourn

June 26 – 29

Litchfield County, in the northwestern corner of Connecticut, and the adjoining areas of New York and Massachusetts are known for the beauty of the countryside, where well-maintained colonial-era homes surround village greens. The area's rolling hills are home to many avid horticulturists and garden designers, and we'll enjoy their handiwork—from cottage gardens to large estate gardens—on this four-day trip. We will travel by private motor coach from the Philadelphia area and stay in one hotel during the tour. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS · EDUCATION

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

BASIC FLOWER ARRANGING
Thursday, November 10, 10 am – noon

Designed for the beginner, this workshop is all about encouragement! **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will help you create gorgeous floral arrangements from seasonally available materials. She will cover everything from selecting flowers to mixing colors and textures to arranging them in a simple container. Fee includes all materials including flowers, greens, and containers; please bring your favorite clippers and gloves. **Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

TOUR: THE LEGACY OF LIDDON PENNOCK
Tuesday, December 6, 10 am – noon

This program offers an in-depth tour of Meadowbrook Farm's noted Robert McGoodwin-designed estate house and garden, dressed in gorgeous holiday finery. **Christine Mifsud** will guide us through the interiors, and **Ted Zoltowski** will show us the adjacent gardens, providing an expanded discussion on the legendary style of J. Liddon Pennock, Jr., who was influenced by eighteenth-century designer Robert Adam. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

Inside the Pennock home at Meadowbroook Farm

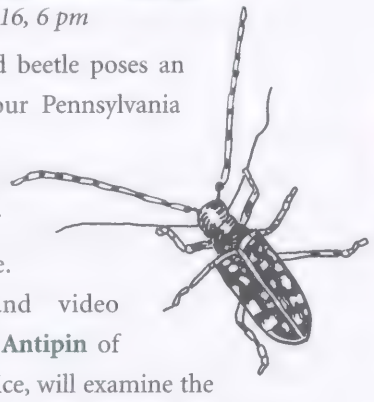
MAKING A WILLIAMSBURG WREATH
Thursday, December 8, 10 am – noon

Bring the elegance of Colonial Williamsburg into your home this holiday season by creating your own fruit wreath. **Virginia Page-Henshchel** will give step-by-step instructions for composing a delightful collection of artificial fruit, which will be paired with glossy green magnolia leaves. Then we will bring it all together on a fresh balsam wreath. **Limit: 20. Fee: $60 members, $65 non-members.**

EVENING LECTURES AT PHS
100 NORTH 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

Note: The McLean Library remains open until 5:45 for evening programs, which are followed by light refreshments and wine.

PROTECTING OUR TREES AND FORESTS FROM THE ASIAN LONGHORNED BEETLE
Wednesday, November 16, 6 pm



The Asian longhorned beetle poses an imminent threat to our Pennsylvania woods, but there is good news for us from the example of Chicago's experience. This PowerPoint and video presentation, by **Judy Antipin** of the USDA Forest Service, will examine the case study: *Chicago vs. the Asian Longhorned Beetle: A Portrait of Success*. Co-authors Judy Antipin and Tom Dilley conducted video interviews with 23 people involved in the eradication effort against the beetle in Chicago from 1998 to 2004. Those interviewed included residents of the most affected areas; federal, state, and local ALB officials; and elected officials, including the Mayor of Chicago. They told their stories in poignant testimony and identified factors that made the eradication effort a success. In addition, Judy will offer identification techniques and general information on how all of us can help prevent widespread damage in our area. **FREE.**

DESIGNING THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW
Tuesday, December 6, 6 pm

Philadelphia Flower Show designer **Sam Lemheney** will draw on his years of experience working with Disney World, and more recently with the Flower Show, as he discusses the essential elements that provide the "wow factor" of a really great show! **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Sam Lemheney's lifelong association with horticulture began with his father and grandfather, both of whom owned and operated flower shops. He joined the Walt Disney World® Co. as an intern with the landscape horticulture science program in 1989, received a B.S. in plant science from the University of Delaware in 1991, and started his career at Disney in June of that year. He eventually became area manager of the Epcot International Flower & Garden Festival. Managing the combined talents of Disney's horticulture staff, Sam organized and coordinated the transformation of the award-winning gardens of Epcot into one of the most exciting flower & garden events in the country. Sam joined the PHS staff in 2003. He is designing the 2006 Flower Show, *Enchanted Spring…A Tribute To Mother Nature*, while coordinating a floor plan for more than 50 full-scale landscape, floral, artistic, and educational displays and 3,000 individual amateur plant entries.

WORKSHOPS AT TRIPLE OAKS NURSERY & HERB GARDEN
2359 S. DELSEA DRIVE, FRANKLINVILLE, NJ

HOLIDAY CORNUCOPIA
Tuesday, November 22, 1 – 3 pm

Start a new Thanksgiving tradition! Dress up your holiday table with an eye-catching arrangement representing the autumn harvest. **Lorraine Kiefer** will help you create a woven cornucopia basket brimming with fresh flowers, pods, berries, artificial fruit, and a real gingerbread man. It's fun to make and long-lasting, with elements you can reuse next year. Please bring clippers and gloves; all other materials will be provided. **Fee: $55 members, $60 non-members.**

BIRDWATCHER'S NATURAL HOLIDAY WREATH
Thursday, December 1, 10:45 am – 1 pm (staggered)

Make your own wreath from start to finish or decorate a pre-made evergreen wreath. In this workshop, led by **Lorraine Kiefer**, we will make wreaths of fragrant plant materials while sipping delicious hot chocolate next to the woodstove, and then take them to the classroom to decorate with fresh fruits, berries and cones, corn, wheat, and a variety of evergreens and seasonal foliage. All plant and wreath-making materials will be provided; please bring your own gloves and clippers. **Limit 25. Fee: $55 members, $60 non-members.**

PROGRAMS · EDUCATION PROGRAMS

FREE LECTURE SERIES AT PHS

100 NORTH 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor two multi-session courses, *Essential Aromatics from Plants* and *Southeastern Pennsylvania Botany in the 18th & 19th Centuries*, this winter and early spring. These courses are free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call 215-763-6529, ext. 23. Registration begins on Monday, November 14.**

Essential Aromatics from Plants

Tuesday, January 17; five Mondays—January 23, 30; February 6, 13, and 20, 6:30 pm (Please note the first class is on Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday.)

This course, presented by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, will examine the plants used by humans since before recorded history, not for their nutritional value, but for the volatile chemical compounds they produce. These plants and their extracts have been used to flavor bland foods, mask unpleasant smells, beautify the body, and cure disease. We'll consider herbs, spices, and perfumes and discuss how these products have influenced human history.

Southeastern Pennsylvania Botany in the 18th & 19th Centuries

Monday, March 20 – April 24, 6:30 pm

This course, taught by **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler**, will look at the contributions made to American botany by naturalists working in the Philadelphia region between 1730 and 1841, beginning with the Bartrams. Philadelphia was the botanical center of the Western Hemisphere as a consequence of the discoveries, collections, and publications of John and William Bartram, Henry Muhlenberg, Frederick Pursh, Constantine Rafinesque, and Thomas Nuttall. The class will focus on how their work formed the foundation of our knowledge of American flora and left a legacy that makes the botanical holdings of Philadelphia institutions unique in the Western Hemisphere for that time period.

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science. She specializes in botany and plant diseases.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

SAVE THE DATES!

Tour: The Art and Science of Forcing for the Philadelphia Flower Show
Two-part class, January 3 and February 21,
10 am – noon

John Story of Meadowbrook Farm will describe how he tricks plants into blooming in time for the Philadelphia Flower Show. In the first session, we will see the newly planted seedlings and, six weeks later, we will revisit the plants and learn about the role they will play in Meadowbrook's 2006 exhibit.

Walk: Winter Interest in the Landscape
Tuesday, January 17 (Snow Date: January 24),
10 am – noon

Ted Zoltowski will lead this walk around Meadowbrook Farm discussing aspects of winter interest in the garden, particularly with reference to trees, shrubs and perennials.

Gardens of Enchantment
February 2, 2006, 6 pm

Taking his cue from the 2006 Flower Show theme, Enchanted Spring, avant-garde designer **Gary Smith** will discuss how he creates enchanting gardens.

New Ways with Perennials by Noel Kingsbury
February 28, 2006, 6 pm

The celebrated British author and garden designer takes a fresh look at contemporary approaches to using perennials.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

VOLUNTEER AT THE 2006 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Join us at the Pennsylvania Convention Center as a behind-the-scenes volunteer from **March 4 – 12, 2006**. If you would like to help, please check the box(es) that interest you and return this form to PHS.

☐ **Exhibitor Aides**: Help exhibitors transport plants from D-Hall to freight elevator and to entry area. Entry-level job.

☐ **Runner**: Carry cards for corrections to and from typing table. Entry-level job.

☐ **Recorder**: Log information on plant entries. Attention to detail and an ability to keep calm under pressure are required.

☐ **Clerk**: Accompany horticulture or design judging teams; record judges' decisions and place award ribbons.

☐ **Infonet**: Welcome and direct visitors to the Flower Show, help with the phone bank, serve as Show floor or Concourse ambassador, or staff an information booth.

☐ **PHS Shoppe**: Sales and service assistants needed for the PHS retail shop on the Show floor. Retail experience preferred.

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Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

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To sign up, **please return this coupon by December 1, 2005** to: Betty Greene, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., 2nd floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495; or contact Betty at 215-988-8826 or *bgreene@pennhort.org*. We will then contact you with more information.

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HELPING PHS THROUGH THE UNITED WAY

Fall marks the kick-off of the annual United Way campaign, and through the Donor Option program, you can direct your United Way pledge or outright contribution to PHS.

Each year PHS receives nearly $10,000 in gifts through the Donor Option program. Please consider directing your United Way gift to PHS. Simply note our **Donor Option ID #06197** on your United Way pledge card.

Your contribution will help to support the Society's urban greening program, Philadelphia Green, which works with communities throughout Philadelphia to beautify neighborhoods, enhance public parks and landscapes, and preserve open green space.

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MOTHER NATURE TAKES CENTER STAGE AT 2006 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

As visitors enter the 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show, *Enchanted Spring ... A Tribute to Mother Nature*, they will pass beneath a huge "Floratopia Tree," designed by Valley Forge Flowers, with a canopy made of cut flowers bustling with birds and butterflies.

It's a fitting prelude to the first Central Feature exhibit, "Mother Nature's Garden," the brain child of Jack Blandy, of Stoney Bank Nurseries, and Sam Lemheney, director of design for the Flower Show. "It's very much a collaborative effort," he explains. "I came up with the general concept but the idea is being brought to life by Jack and his team."

"Mother Nature's Garden" will explore the natural elements of water, wind, and fire in three distinct sections. In the "Water" garden, you'll find fanciful "jumping" fountains and water fans, a lily pond, and a bog garden. "Fire" will flow around a centrally placed column in streams of bright, tropical flowers masquerading as lava. Flowing grasses and tall perennials will celebrate the motion in the "Wind" garden and lead the eye upward to a mobile of kites flying above.

Jack Blandy, a long-time, award-winning Flower Show exhibitor, began working on the exhibit two years ago. He says, "It's definitely our biggest and most exciting endeavor for the Philadelphia Flower Show. The challenge is creating three different types of gardens instead of the usual one. This means three different plant palettes and three sets of growing and forcing requirements to get everything blooming at the right time."

Stoney Bank Nurseries exhibit at the 2005 Flower Show

"It's a fantasy world," says Lemheney. "We've imagined that Mother Nature would not have to obey USDA Hardiness Zones if she chose not to. Here, tropical plants grow side by side with desert blooms. Our main objective is to create a dazzling exhibit that's also a lot of fun." Home growers will also find plenty of interesting plants and inspiring ideas to add enchantment to their own gardens.

PHS offers behind-the-scenes tours of Stoney Bank Nurseries, Styer Nurseries, and Meadowbrook Farm. There are other Flower Show-related programs, too. Please see pages 5, 6, and 7 for details.

ON THE WEB

Visit the PHS website today,
www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org

- Download a video about Philadelphia Green (see page 3).
- Browse the PHS calendar for a complete list of upcoming events.
- Renew your membership now to receive your tickets in time for the Flower Show (click on Membership).

Visit the Philadelphia Flower Show website
www.theflowershow.com

- Purchase advance tickets.
- View a list of lectures and demonstrations at the Show.

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW — OFFICIAL PRESENTATION

Look for this logo for Flower Show-related events

Philadelphia Flower Show
March 5–12, 2006

Pennsylvania Convention Center
12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA

www.theflowershow.com

Members' Preview: March 4, noon – 3:30 pm

General Admission:
Adults: $26 on Opening Sunday (March 5),
$24 on weekends and $22 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $12 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $20
Group tickets (20 or more people): $19.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8899 (recorded information).

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

It's All About the Blooms

If winter is not your season, January can seem like a dark and dreary month. But if you are a Philadelphia Flower Show exhibitor, you don't have time to think about the weather because you're focused on getting your plants into peak bloom by the first week of March.

At Meadowbrook Farm, general manager John Story, his daughter Jessie, and their team will produce more than 8,000 plants this year for Meadowbrook and some 40 other exhibitors. Planning began last spring, and by September, they were potting up perennials and getting them into a large cooler to give the plants an early winter, or "vernalization." This encourages them to produce roots several months ahead of schedule. In October and November, the Meadowbrook staff was busy sowing seeds of annuals.

By early December it was time to start pulling perennials from the cooler. First out are plants that bloom in summer, such as rudbeckia, echinacea, and monarda. Astilbes come out in mid-December, and daylilies right after the first of the year. Some perennials, such as delphiniums, do not require vernalization, but need to grow in a greenhouse with constant, 50°F temperatures throughout fall and winter. Most challenging of all plants to force into bloom, according to John, are foxgloves and lupines.

Oriental lilies are another tough customer because they bloom so late in the summer and there's just not enough time for the bulbs to be tricked into producing flowers ahead of schedule the following year. At Meadowbrook, they have worked their way around this challenge by purchasing lily bulbs that didn't sell one year and had been held in a cooler throughout the summer, making it possible for Jessie to pot them up in early November.

Careful records are essential to success in forcing. John joined the staff at Meadowbrook in June, 1980 and in each successive year, he has honed his forcing skills and those of the Meadowbrook staff.

If you'd like to learn more about the intricacies of forcing plants or take a tour of Meadowbrook Farm and other nurseries for a sneak peek at their Flower Show preparations, please see pages 6 and 7 for details on upcoming education programs.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

EDUCATING MEMBERS ABOUT THE FLOWER SHOW

At PHS, the Philadelphia Flower Show is a year-round endeavor. To help connect PHS members to the buzz and excitement behind the scenes, PHS's Education Services staff has developed a series of events that introduce members to the people and ideas involved in bringing each year's Show to life.

Upcoming programs include tours of the facilities of three major exhibitors, a lecture by a noted landscape designer who will explain what it takes to create your own enchanted garden, and a flower arranging class taught by a seasoned Show exhibitor. For details, see pages 6 and 7 and look for the Flower Show symbol.

MEMBERSHIP NOTES

Members' Ticket(s) for the 2006 Flower Show

PHS members, be on the lookout for your complimentary ticket(s) for the 2006 Show. **Ticket(s) will be mailed the week of January 23.** If you do not receive your ticket(s) by February 6, please call the membership office at 215-988-8776 or x 8832. When your tickets arrive, please put them in a secure place where you'll be sure to find them at Show time. PHS cannot be responsible for lost or misplaced tickets.

Membership Renewals

The months leading up to the Philadelphia Flower Show are the busiest time for PHS membership renewals. **The best way to make sure you receive your 2006 Flower Show tickets on time is to renew your membership as soon as possible.** It is easy to renew online at *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. Of course, you can still renew by mail or phone (215-988-8832). Thank you for renewing early!

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: SANDRA ALTON

Seven years ago, when Sandra Alton first moved to Philadelphia, she knew very little about the city she now calls home. "The only thing I really knew about Philadelphia was the Flower Show," she says. "I knew that I'd love to be involved with it somehow, but this was February, so I imagined I was too late."

Luckily for her, PHS is always looking for a few good men and women to pitch in. After a meeting with PHS president Jane Pepper, Sandra found herself knee-deep in a slew of projects.

"I had lunch with Jane and was charmed with her professionalism and personality. She educated me about PHS, Philadelphia Green, and all the other initiatives," Sandra says. "Before I knew it I was in charge of hosting a cocktail party for Flower Show volunteers to thank them for their involvement."

Through the years Sandra's supreme hosting skills have been called upon several times. Presently Sandra is chair of the Preview Reception and Dinner Committee for this year's Show.

"The Preview Dinner is a major event for the city. It is a black-tie evening at the Convention Center that serves as the kickoff to the Flower Show, allowing people to see the Show before it's open to the public," she says. "With live music and fantastic food, I know it will be wonderful." (See page 5 for more information.)

Preparing such a soiree is no easy feat, but Sandra takes pleasure in her participation with PHS. "There's something about the common interest in gardening and flowers that brings out the best in people. The people involved, whether staff or volunteers, are always so nice," she says. "The results of PHS are around us every day in the neighborhoods, in community parks, and at Logan Square and the Azalea Garden. We benefit from the beauty, but many people don't make the connection that there's an organization that works so hard to keep it all going."

Sandra knows about hard work. In addition to all her volunteer activities, she serves the renowned Tiffany & Co. as market vice-president for the Philadelphia region. Despite these commitments, Sandra still finds time for her favorite hobby—gardening, of course. "I have a four-acre property, so it's a never ending task. But I love it," she says. "I'm certainly not an armchair gardener; I like to get in there and get my nails dirty."

– Daniel Moise

REVITALIZING PHILADELPHIA'S NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

Philadelphia is blessed with 150 neighborhood parks, from tiny Bardascino Park in South Philadelphia to the sprawling 147-acre Morris Park and Papa Playground in the Overbrook section. Each park reflects the history, culture, and sense of place that makes the city such a rich mosaic of neighborhoods.

Employees from Citizens Bank helped out in Fisher Park in the city's Olney section last October. The workday was part of Citizens Bank's multi-year, $250,000 commitment to greening projects in communities targeted by the city's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative.

In 1993 Philadelphia Green launched the Parks Revitalization Project to help residents take charge of their parks, many of which had fallen into disrepair during preceding decades. Philadelphia Green organized volunteers into independent "friends" groups that serve as local park stewards and forged a partnership between the groups and the city's Department of Recreation, which oversees many neighborhood parks.

The project, which began as a modest initiative involving three parks, now includes 67 parks in every section of the city. Responding to a groundswell of community support, the city over the past decade has stepped up mowing, trash collection, and infrastructure repair and has infused the parks with new waves of capital dollars. Two years ago, the city's Fairmount Park Commission signed on as another partner. Since 1993, community groups have raised $1.3 million and have put in more than 235,000 hours of volunteer labor—a value of $3.7 million. City and state government have invested nearly $10 million in Department of Recreation parks, a seven-fold increase over their investments from 1983-1993. Philadelphia Green has channeled more than $1.5 million to the project from its funders.

The effort has had a dramatic impact, greatly improving the appearance of many parks and making them an integral part of urban life again. Once not only abandoned but actively avoided, Philadelphia's neighborhood parks today are well used by thousands of city residents.

"What's exciting now is that, more and more, we're working with park groups to build their capacity to work independently," says Paul Bonfanti, who manages the Project. "Park groups are seeking and winning their own grants, as well as planning and producing events like summer concerts and movie screenings. Malcolm X Park in West Philadelphia, for example, recently received funding from Citizens Bank to pay for new park benches."

"One of the hardest tasks for civic groups is to sustain themselves over time," adds Laura Lanza of Campbell Square in Port Richmond. "The support of the Parks Project can make all the difference in whether or not a local group flourishes."

The partnerships that are transforming Philadelphia's parks have never been stronger, and the Project has become a model for other cities. Community groups share a renewed sense of pride and purpose and are deeply invested in the long-term success of these cherished open spaces.

PHS Parks Revitalization Project Funders: Bank of America Foundation; Citizens Bank Foundation; City of Philadelphia, Neighborhood Transformation Initiative; Lincoln Financial Group Foundation; Walter J. Miller Trust; and the William Penn Foundation.

NEW VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS PHILADELPHIA GREEN

Thousands of people and hundreds of organizations have partnered with PHS's nationally acclaimed Philadelphia Green program to create vibrant green spaces, gateways, parks, and gardens throughout the city. "Live, Grow, Thrive in a Green Philadelphia" is a new CD-ROM, created with "Flash" video technology, that tells the story of Philadelphia Green and how you can get involved.

We invite you to visit the PHS website, *www.pennyslvaniahorticulturalsociety.org,* where you can download this inspiring, nine-minute video. (Click on "Download Philadelphia Green Video.") The CD is also available on request; please contact Daniel Moise at 215-988-8871 or *dmoise@pennhort.org.*

PHS CO-SPONSORS URBAN SUSTAINABILITY FORUM

Join us for an important series of programs examining social and environmental conditions in Philadelphia. At monthly meetings from January to June 2006, the **Urban Sustainability Forum** will identify key issues affecting the city's environment, economy, and quality of life. The forum will bring together experts, stakeholders, partner organizations, and the general public in a series of public meetings on individual issues, with the ultimate goal of developing and promoting an action plan for making Philadelphia a greener and more "sustainable" city. (Sustainability is a concept that calls for meeting the needs of people with minimal impact on the environment.)

The first session, "Life and Breath in the Big City: Philadelphia's Air in the 21st Century," will be held **Thursday, January 19, 6 – 8:30 pm, at the Academy of Natural Sciences**, 1900 Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. It is free and open to the public.

The Urban Sustainability Forum is sponsored by the Delaware Valley Green Building Council, PHS, Penn Future, and the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection. The meetings will be hosted by the Academy of Natural Sciences' Town Square Program. **For information on upcoming topics and dates, please contact Roland Wall at 215-299-1108 or *rwall@acnatsci.org,* or visit *www.acnatsci.org/townsquare.***

PHS's NEW "GREEN CITY YOUTH" PROGRAM

If you spy a group of students stampeding down the street, hurriedly snapping photos left and right, don't worry—they're not paparazzi in training. Rather they are participants in PHS's newest educational initiative, **Green City Youth.**

Funded by the National Recreation Foundation, the Green City Youth program allies teachers, students, and community stewards to promote horticulture as a way to improve neighborhoods. The carefully planned service-learning curriculum encourages students to find their own voices as they conceive, develop, and implement greening projects throughout the school year.

"Rather then telling the kids what to do, we allow them to choose their own projects," says Larry Stier, project manager. "This creates a sense of ownership and a desire to invest in community greening."

Presently 150 students representing five Philadelphia schools are taking part in Green City Youth. To maximize the success of this project, PHS has targeted schools in neighborhoods where community stewards are already actively involved in local green spaces. By partnering students with these community heroes, Green City Youth teaches the importance of greening in a real-life, meaningful way, while addressing curricular concerns.

One such hero is Marlene Buck of the New Kensington Community Development Corporation. Buck is working with youngsters from the Kensington Culinary Academy, a subsidiary of Kensington High School. "I'd like to teach [the students] all that the trees offer," she says. "They must recognize that the Earth is ours to care for. After all, they are the stewards of tomorrow."

The program offers a variety of engaging and educational activities that get the students out of the classroom and into the world. Ritz Camera provides each student with a disposable camera so they can partake in a scavenger hunt for images of green spaces. A class trip to the John Heinz Wildlife Refuge in Tinicum educates students about Philadelphia's native species and gives them a glimpse of what the local landscape looked like before European settlement. In the spring, each student will plant a bare-root tree seedling, courtesy of the National Arbor Day Foundation. PHS provides overall organization, educator training, direct student instruction, and horticultural supplies.

Students from the Kensington Culinary Academy examine plants growing on a vacant lot.

So far Green City Youth has received an enthusiastic response from the teachers and students involved. This initiative strives to make the students much like the trees they will plant: strong and proud representatives of the community. *– Daniel Moise*

For more information about Green City Youth, contact Patricia Schrieber, Community Education Manager, 215-988-8841 or pschrieber@pennhort.org.

TRAVEL WITH US

Space Still Available for 2006 Trips

PHS offers exciting tours in the United States and abroad to outstanding public and private gardens and homes. Itineraries are available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. To receive a printed copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens in Sicily Plus

May 9 – 20, 2006

Our journey begins on the island of Sicily, where we will see perfectly preserved Greek temples and other historic structures—all evidence of the diverse civilizations that have left their mark on this fascinating island. We'll visit private gardens belonging to members of the Sicilian aristocracy. Along our way, the hills will be carpeted with an astonishing variety of wildflowers. We'll take the ferry at sunset from Palermo, and as the sun rises over Vesuvius, enter the bay of Naples to visit more private gardens and drive along the world-famous Costa Amalfitana, where tiny towns like Positano and Amalfi cling to the cliff-face. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

Enjoy the English countryside in June.

Norfolk and Sussex with Jane Pepper

June 4 – 15, 2006

PHS president Jane Pepper will lead this tour of English gardens in Norfolk and Sussex, home to some of the country's most important gardens. The relatively low-lying and open countryside of Norfolk includes some magnificent estates with superb gardens. By contrast, the Sussex countryside is more rolling and enclosed and dotted with smaller gardens. Ann and Colin Senior, who led a very successful tour of Gloucestershire this summer, return as tour organizers.

New England Sojourn

June 26 – 29, 2006

Litchfield County, in the northwestern corner of Connecticut, and the adjoining areas of New York and Massachusetts are known for the beauty of the countryside, where well-maintained colonial-era homes surround village greens. The area's rolling hills are home to many avid horticulturists and garden designers, and we'll enjoy their handiwork—from cottage gardens to large estate gardens—on this four-day trip. We will travel by private motor coach from the Philadelphia area and stay in one hotel during the tour. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW PREVIEW RECEPTION AND DINNER

Pennsylvania Convention Center
Saturday, March 4, 2006

The Preview Dinner is one of Philadelphia's premier social events, offering guests a leisurely view of the 2006 Flower Show, *Enchanted Spring ... A Tribute to Mother Nature*, the night before it opens to the public. The evening begins at 6 pm with delicious hors d'oeuvres and cocktails served on the main Show floor, where guests can stroll through the dazzling garden displays. At 8 pm, dinner guests enter the Grand Ballroom to savor a gourmet meal.

By attending the Preview Reception and Dinner, you can enjoy a fun and elegant evening while supporting a good cause. Revenues from the event help fund PHS's programs, including Philadelphia Green, the nation's most comprehensive urban greening program.

Subscription prices begin at $100, for guests aged 35 and under who choose to attend the cocktail reception only, and range up to $350 for full Subscribers to $600 per person for Benefactors, who enjoy early admittance to the Show at 5 pm. For more information or to request an invitation, please contact Ellen Wheeler at 215-988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org.*

GARDEN TEA AT THE FLOWER SHOW

The Garden Tea at the Flower Show offers a serene setting in which to refresh yourself and relax with friends. The room is elegantly appointed with colorful linens, flowers, greenery, and polished silver tea services. With soothing music in the background; an assortment of *petit* sandwiches, pastries, and fruit provided by the Culinary School of the Art Institute of Philadelphia; and a selection of fine teas, you will find it a pleasant addition to your Flower Show experience.

MacKenzie-Childs, sponsor of the Garden Tea, will add to your visual feast with displays of their elegant hand-painted dinnerware.

The Garden Tea is $26 per person plus Flower Show admission, which is required and sold separately. For Tea reservations, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8879. Seating is limited.

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Be inspired! For the first time in the US, Life3—three of Europe's top floral designers—will help create one of this year's Philadelphia Flower Show Central Features, "Natura," the goddess of nature, and will host floral workshops and a demonstration at the Show (March 5–12). These World Cup Flower Arrangers will demonstrate their unique style in an electrifying presentation. After the demonstration, enjoy light refreshments and meet the designers. Max van de Sluis from the Netherlands, Tomas De Bruyne from Belgium and Per Benjamin from Sweden will sign their newest books. Seating is limited.

Life3: Tomas de Bruyene, Per Benjamin and Max van der Sluis

Flower Show Admission is not necessary to attend these events, but may be purchased separately.

Demonstration:

Monday, March 6, 1–2:30 pm
Lecture Hall, Room 114
PA Convention Center, 13th & Arch Streets Entrance
Reception: "Meet the Artists," Exhibit & Book Signing 2:30–3:30 pm. (See registration form for pricing information.)

Workshops:

"Life 3–Structures" (Frameworks)
"Life 3–At Home" (Home Décor)
"Life 3–Innovations" (Bouquets)
Tuesday, March 7, 10 am–12 Noon OR 2–4 pm
Rooms 109, 111, 113
PA Convention Center, 13th & Arch Streets Entrance
$135 per person, materials included. Workshop participants should bring their own tools.

Life 3 Registration Form

Register by phone, fax or mail. Make checks payable to PHS and send to: Life3 Events, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495 • Telephone: 215 988-8879 • Fax 215 988-8810
Life3 tickets are non-refundable. Event tickets and confirmation will be mailed to registrants.

Name _____ Daytime Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

City, State, Zip _____

If registering for two or more people, please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

Monday, March 6: Floral Demonstration & Reception (open seating)			_____ reservations @ $ 40 = _____
Monday, March 6: Floral Demonstration & Reception (preferred seating)			_____ reservations @ $ 60 = _____
Tuesday, March 7: "Life3 – Structures" Workshop	☐ AM	☐ PM	_____ reservations @ $135 = _____
Tuesday, March 7: "Life3 – At Home" Workshop*	☐ AM	☐ PM	_____ reservations @ $135 = _____
Tuesday, March 7: "Life3 – Innovations" Workshop*	☐ AM	☐ PM	_____ reservations @ $135 = _____
Flower Show Admission			_____ tickets @ $20 = _____
			Shipping & Handling = FREE
Proceeds benefit the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.			Total $ _____

☐ *Please check here if you are available (flexible) for either morning or afternoon workshop sessions.

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PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

WALK: WINTER INTEREST IN THE LANDSCAPE
Tuesday, January 17 (Snow Date: January 24)
10 am – noon

Ted Zoltowski of Meadowbrook Farm will discuss aspects of winter interest in the garden, particularly with reference to trees, shrubs and perennials. We will tour the perennial gardens at Meadowbrook in their winter form, stroll along a woodland path, and enjoy the winter scenery around the late Mr. and Mrs. J. Liddon Pennock's estate. **Limit 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: GLASS BOWL TERRARIUM
Thursday, January 19, 10 am – noon

In the depths of winter, what could be better than to brighten your home with a lush green miniature world under glass? Meadowbrook horticulturist and frequent Flower Show award winner **Virginia Page-Hentshel** will demonstrate and explain the details of growing special types of plants in glass bowls. You will plant your own eight-inch glass bowl choosing from an assortment of suitable plants. Soil, fertilizing and disease control will be covered, and all materials are included. **Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

EVENING LECTURES AT PHS
100 NORTH 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

GARDENS OF ENCHANTMENT
Thursday, February 2, 6 pm

In keeping with the 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show theme, *Enchanted Spring ... A Tribute to Mother Nature*, garden designer **W. Gary Smith** will talk about fostering the magical connections between people, plants, and art to create enchanting gardens.

According to Smith, the design of such gardens begins with exploring the inner nature of a place and then enriching that spirit through horticultural skill, artistic creativity, and a sense of playfulness. This program explores the process of creating enchanted gardens that foster a deeper understanding of our relationship to nature and exhibit a sense of place.

For more than 15 years, W. Gary Smith has specialized in master planning and garden design for botanical gardens and arboreta. His work explores the intersection between ecological design and artistic abstraction. Smith received a 2004 Design Merit Award from the American Society of Landscape Architects for Peirce's Woods, an art-form garden (an artistic interpretation of a woodland) at Longwood Gardens, in Pennsylvania. In 2002 he received the Award of Excellence from the Association of Professional Landscape Designers for Peirce's Woods and for two other public garden projects: Enchanted Woods at Winterthur, in Delaware, and the Stopford Family Meadow Maze at Tyler Arboretum, in Media, PA. He recently completed a Gardens Master Plan for the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas.

Smith received a master of landscape architecture degree from the University of Pennsylvania and an undergraduate degree in ornamental horticulture from the University of Delaware. A senior lecturer in the master of landscape architecture program at the University of Texas at Austin, he serves on the Board of Directors at Tyler Arboretum and the Austin Visual Arts Association in Texas. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

NEW WAYS WITH PERENNIALS
Tuesday, February 28, 6 pm

Spend a memorable evening with celebrated British garden designer and prolific author **Noel Kingsbury** as he entertains, educates, and offers a fresh look at a variety of contemporary approaches to perennials: naturalistic, neo-formal, exotic, and beyond! He will also focus on perennials that require minimal maintenance.

Noel Kingsbury is one of a new generation of garden designers and writers who are challenging established ideas and ways of doing things. A gardener since childhood, he remembers skipping school to visit the Chelsea Flower Show, an event he returned to many years later as an exhibitor. Noel travels widely to study garden design and wildflowers, believing that we have a lot to learn from the experiences of other countries. Since 1994 he has been working on a major garden at Cowley Manor near Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, that reflects the latest in ecological planting ideas from Europe using hardy perennials and ornamental grasses. This garden has been recognized as one of the most important and visionary schemes of its kind. Noel regularly appears on British television and is the author of numerous books on various topics, including natural and wild gardening, designing with perennials, grasses and bamboos, designing for small spaces, and green roofs. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Note: The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 pm for this evening program, which will be followed by light refreshments and wine.

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS

TOUR: THE ART AND SCIENCE OF FORCING FOR THE PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW
Two Tuesdays, January 3 & February 21, 10 am – noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Abington Township, PA

See for yourself how those fabulous plants at the Philadelphia Flower Show bloom on cue at such an unusual time of year. **John Story**, who forces plants for Meadowbrook Farm as well as other exhibitors at the Show, will introduce us to many of the plants that will take center stage at the Show this year. In the first session, we will see the young plants and John will describe how he tricks them into blooming when he wants them to. Six weeks later, we will revisit the plants and learn what roles they will play in Meadowbrook's 2006 exhibit. **Fee: $30 members, $35 non-members.**

COACH TOUR: STONEY BANK NURSERIES, INC. AND J. FRANKLIN STYER NURSERIES
Wednesday, February 8, 8:30 am – 5 pm approximately
Glen Mills and Concordville, PA

This coach tour takes us to the home sites of two popular central feature exhibitors at the Philadelphia Flower Show for a preview of how they will interpret this year's theme, *Enchanted Spring ... A Tribute to Mother Nature.* **Jack Blandy**, of Stoney Bank Nurseries in Glen Mills, and **Michael Petrie**, of J. Franklin Styer Nurseries in nearby Concordville, will discuss their plans and planning processes and show us some of the plants they are growing for their exhibits. We will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant between visits. Pick-up will be available at PHS, 20th and Arch Streets, or the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. Fee includes coach, tours, and lunch. **Limit: 20. Fee: $75 members, $85 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM
Wednesday, February 22, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Abington Township, PA

This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook Farm's magical greenhouses will focus on the art and science, the successes and challenges of forcing plants for the Philadelphia Flower Show. **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce us to many unusual plants he is growing for Meadowbrook and other major exhibitors at the 2006 Show. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

PROGRAMS · EDUCATION PROGRAMS

TREE TENDERS BROWN-BAG LUNCH SERIES

PHS, 100 N. 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

All programs will be held from noon to 1 pm in the 5th floor auditorium. Attend all three and receive a Tree Tenders t-shirt. FREE. ***RSVP to Carol Dutill at 215-988-8869.***

- Tuesday, February 7, **Winter Tree Identification**
- Tuesday, February 14, **Urban Tree Stresses and How to Avoid Them**
- Tuesday, February 21, **Planting the Right Tree in the Right Place**

CLASS

THE ART OF FLOWER ARRANGING

Three Wednesdays: February 22, March 1, 6:30 – 8:30 pm; & March 8, 8 am
PHS and the Philadelphia Flower Show

The Philadelphia Flower Show features floral arrangements created by some of the most talented designers in the world. Yet it is also a showcase for the work of talented local amateurs. For the visitor, it is an ideal place to gather ideas and learn by observing, even if all you ever do is arrange a simple bouquet in a vase.

This series is designed to help you get the most out of your Flower Show experience and learn basic principles of flower arranging from professional arrangers. In the first session, we will enjoy a demonstration by floral artist and Flower Show exhibitor **Lisa Ferraro**, who will stress basic principles of combining colors and textures, positioning masses, selecting containers, and tools and tricks of the trade. In the second session, participants will create their own arrangements to take home, using the principles covered in the first session. The third session offers a rare opportunity to visit the Flower Show in the early morning, before it opens for the day and the crowds arrive, with a guided tour of flower arrangements by a seasoned Flower Show exhibitor. Fee includes instruction, all materials, Flower Show guided tour, and an extra ticket to visit the Show.

Lisa Ferraro comes to the world of floral design through her background in horticulture, which strongly influences her sense of aesthetics. She has studied floral design with both Belgian and Dutch masters, here and abroad, who have helped her create her own modern, organic sense of style. She is an award-winning designer whose work has appeared in magazines such as *Grace Ormonde Wedding Style* and *Town and Country*. Lisa is currently a designer and special events coordinator for Robertson's Flowers in Philadelphia. **Limit: 24. Fee: $250 members, $295 non-members.**

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.pennclasses.org*.

PLANTING A NOBEL PEACE PRIZE

Wednesday, January 11, 2006, 6:45 – 7:30 pm
West Chester University, West Chester, PA
Schmucker Science Center, North Room 191
RSVP: Dawn Waters, 215-988-8845 or dwaters@pennhort.org by Monday, January, 9

The PHS Tree Tenders Project is proud to sponsor this presentation by **Gerard Hertel** of West Chester University, who will tell the story of a truly inspiring and courageous woman, **Professor Wangari Maathai of Kenya**. Thirty years ago Dr. Maathai, currently Kenya's assistant minister for the environment and natural resources, formed the Green Belt Movement (*www.greenbeltmovement.org*) to counteract the decline of Kenya's natural forests by planting trees. Since then, 30,000,000 trees have been planted. Dr. Maathai received the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004 for her contributions to sustainable development, democracy, and peace. Since 1999 Gerry Hertel has worked in Kenya on a forest health study, with encouragement from Maathai and her Green Belt Movement. Join us for this lively presentation and discussion on how we can green our own communities! Light refreshments will be served. **FREE.**

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Program Activities, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

FREE LECTURE SERIES AT PHS

100 NORTH 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor two multi-session courses, *Essential Aromatics from Plants* and *Southeastern Pennsylvania Botany in the 18th & 19th Centuries*, this winter and early spring. These courses are free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call 215-763-6529, ext. 23. Registration begins on Monday, November 14.**

Essential Aromatics from Plants

Tuesday, January 17; five Mondays—January 23, 30; February 6, 13, and 20, 6:30 pm (Please note the first class is on Tuesday, and the rest are on Monday.)

This course, presented by **Professor Karen Snetselaar**, will examine the plants used by humans since before recorded history, not for their nutritional value, but for the volatile chemical compounds they produce. These plants and their extracts have been used to flavor bland foods, mask unpleasant smells, beautify the body, and cure disease. We'll consider herbs, spices, and perfumes and discuss how these products have influenced human history.

Southeastern Pennsylvania Botany in the 18th & 19th Centuries

Monday, March 20 – April 24, 6:30 pm

This course, taught by **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler**, will look at the contributions made to American botany by naturalists working in the Philadelphia region between 1730 and 1841, beginning with the Bartrams. Philadelphia was the botanical center of the Western Hemisphere as a consequence of the discoveries, collections, and publications of John and William Bartram, Henry Muhlenberg, Frederick Pursh, Constantine Rafinesque, and Thomas Nuttall. The class will focus on how their work formed the foundation of our knowledge of American flora and left a legacy that makes the botanical holdings of Philadelphia institutions unique in the Western Hemisphere for that time period.

Karen Snetselaar is associate professor of biology at St. Joseph's University and professor of biology at the Wagner Free Institute of Science. She specializes in botany and plant diseases.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

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GROW IT, KNOW IT, SHOW IT

A Visit to the Flower Show's Hottest New Section

Right in the middle of the Philadelphia Flower Show—between the large garden exhibits and the bustling Marketplace—is a large area known to Show insiders as "**B Hall**." Here, visitors will find everything from champion orchids, feisty garden competitions, and whimsical flower arrangements of all types. This year, B Hall has received a dramatic overhaul devised by design director Sam Lemheney and Show staff and volunteers, all working under the area's new motto: **Grow It, Know It, Show It**.

This part of the Show will be divided into three sections. The first, **Grow It**, is home to the "**Horticourt**." Here, visitors can stroll through rows and rows of exquisite plants that are competing for coveted ribbons. New to this year's Show is an interactive feature called "**You Be the Judge**," which will demystify the judging process. Everyone can appreciate the beauty of the entries, but what makes something a winner? This activity provides visitors with judging criteria for certain classes and requires them to assume a judge's discerning eye.

Another addition is a series of **collectors' cards** to be distributed by volunteers at the information booth and other nearby locations. The three-part set will feature lush images of window boxes on the front and planting instructions and recommendations on the back.

In the center of B Hall will be the **Know It** section. This subdivision showcases the variety of organizations that keep the Philadelphia region green, including community groups, gardening associations, and high school and college greening programs. PHS's own **Philadelphia Green** will have a display that presents many of the past year's success stories involving vacant land management, public landscapes, community gardens, and parks. This is also where you'll find a display highlighting the **PHS Gold Medal Plant Award** program, which promotes trees, shrubs, and vines that thrive in the Mid-Atlantic region. You can also watch gardening demonstrations and pick up informative handouts.

The third section, **Show It**, contains the **artistic and design classes**. Elaborate creations are sure to capture the imagination of visitors in this section of B Hall. This year we will also introduce "**Learning Moments**," large, illustrated posters with amusing, interesting, and sometimes surprising facts and statistics about the Flower Show, gardening, and plants. Visitors will find these throughout B Hall.

All these alterations are designed to engage, inform, and entertain visitors. The "Grow It, Know It, Show It" layout will allow people to find the exhibits that interest them the most. "The purpose of this restructuring is to draw more attention to all that B Hall offers and highlight each element of the Show," Sam says. "These changes are sure to enhance the visitor experience…and help everyone learn a few new gardening tricks!" *– Daniel Moise*

ON THE WEB

Visit the PHS website today,
www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org

- Renew your membership in time for the Flower Show (click on Membership).
- Browse the PHS calendar for a complete list of upcoming events.

Visit the Philadelphia Flower Show website
www.theflowershow.com

- Purchase advance tickets.
- View a list of lectures and demos at the Show.

Philadelphia Flower Show
March 5–12, 2006

Pennsylvania Convention Center
12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA

www.theflowershow.com

Members' Preview: March 4, noon – 3:30 pm

General Admission:
Adults: $26 on Opening Sunday (March 5),
$24 on weekends and $22 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $12 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $20
Group tickets (20 or more people): $19.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8899 (recorded information).

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

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Above and Beyond

When it comes to helping organizations move forward, Dorrance H. (Dodo) Hamilton is an ace. When we moved the Philadelphia Flower Show to the Pennsylvania Convention Center in 1996, a gift from Mrs. Hamilton helped us build staging for our new quarters. A few years later, we had a commitment from then-Mayor Ed Rendell for capital costs associated with the new landscape around the Philadelphia Museum of Art, a project PHS managed in conjunction with the Museum and the Fairmount Park Commission. Before we put a shovel in the ground, we were determined to raise funds for the maintenance of the completed landscape.

To the rescue came Mrs. Hamilton, with a challenge grant of $1 million, which made it possible for PHS and the Museum to raise an additional million dollars for an endowment to ensure that the plantings would look good for years to come.

A few years later, Mrs. Hamilton helped us procure a new computer program to streamline the all-important points system for the Flower Show Competitive Classes.

This year, Mrs. Hamilton has helped us make another quantum leap. She has made a generous gift to help us complete a facelift for B Hall, the area at the Flower Show where you find the Competitive Classes and educational exhibits (see story on page 1). Sam Lemheney, Shows design director, Kathy Mills, Shows production director, and Lisa Stephano, marketing & public relations director, came up with a bundle of exciting ideas—along with an "exciting" price tag.

After discussions with Mrs. Hamilton, we knew we would be able to go for our dreams to make B Hall an even more interesting part of the Show. Besides the B Hall facelift, which will include updating most of the decade-old signage, we are also able, thanks to her generosity, to offer our visitors a wonderful new Flower Show Shoppe.

One of the most-asked questions at the Show information booth, near the Horticourt, is "Who is the Mrs. Hamilton who exhibits all those beautiful plants?" Well, Dodo is a person who not only gives us great pleasure by bringing her plants for us to enjoy at the Show, but she's also a very generous and loyal supporter of PHS.

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

TRAVEL WITH US

Space Still Available for 2006 Trips

PHS offers exciting tours in the United States and abroad to outstanding public and private gardens. Itineraries are available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. To receive a printed copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens in Sicily Plus

May 9 – 20, 2006

Our journey begins on the island of Sicily, where we will see perfectly preserved Greek temples and other historic structures—all evidence of the diverse civilizations that have left their mark on this fascinating island. We'll visit private gardens belonging to members of the Sicilian aristocracy. Along our way, the hills will be carpeted with an astonishing variety of wildflowers. We'll take the ferry at sunset from Palermo, and as the sun rises over Vesuvius, enter the bay of Naples to visit more private gardens and drive along the world-famous Costa Amalfitana, where tiny towns like Positano and Amalfi cling to the cliff-face. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

Norfolk and Sussex with Jane Pepper

June 4 – 15, 2006

PHS president Jane Pepper will lead this tour of English gardens in Norfolk and Sussex, home to some of the country's most important gardens. The relatively low-lying, open countryside of Norfolk includes some magnificent estates with superb gardens. By contrast, the Sussex countryside is dotted with smaller gardens. Ann and Colin Senior, who led a very successful tour of Gloucestershire this summer, return as tour organizers.

New England Sojourn

June 26 – 29, 2006

Litchfield County, in the northwestern corner of Connecticut, and the adjoining areas of New York and Massachusetts are known for the beauty of the countryside. The area's rolling hills are home to many avid horticulturists and garden designers, and we'll enjoy their handiwork—from cottage gardens to large estate gardens—on this four-day trip. We will travel by private motor coach from the Philadelphia area and stay in one hotel during the tour. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: CARMEN HERRERA VON WRANGELL

Considering English isn't her first language (let alone second, third, or fourth), Carmen Herrera von Wrangell, a native of the Dominican Republic, is a stickler for proper grammar and accurate spelling. In fact, it is this penchant for perfection that first brought her to the attention of PHS.

"The first time I went to the Flower Show, I was looking at an exhibit's placard and noticed a letter missing from the botanical name of the plant," she recalls. Unable to overlook the oversight, Carmen tracked down a PHS employee. The staff member, impressed by Carmen's mastery of nomenclature, instantly put her to work, and she's been a dedicated volunteer ever since.

Now, more than a decade later, Carmen is serving her first year as chair of the Flower Show's Competitive Classes Committee. She describes the new role as "a great responsibility, but also a lot of fun." Carmen's mission as chair is to make everyone who attends the Show feel welcome and included. For veterans of the Show, Carmen says it's a great chance to reconnect with old friends. "It's like going back to camp and seeing people whom you hadn't seen in a year. I want to do all I can to facilitate that feeling of family," she muses.

Carmen also encourages newcomers to get involved and not be intimidated by Show insiders. "Trust me, there will be many, many people at the Show who know much more [about botany and horticulture] than I do," she says. "I hope to serve as a liaison between the experts and the visitor."

Perhaps one reason Carmen strives to make everyone feel at home is the fact that she received a warm welcome the first time she participated in the competition. "The first time I entered the Show I had an orchid I'd bought at a garage sale. I knew very little about what I was doing, but a nice volunteer helped me through everything. I received a white ribbon that year; honorable mention," she says. "I was slightly disappointed, but the man who had helped me reminded me that a white ribbon in Philadelphia is like a blue ribbon anywhere else. I learned that you don't have to win the blue to be a big winner."

Carmen is confident that any and all prospective exhibitors will have similarly pleasant experiences. "Be brave," she says with a laugh, "the water's fine."

– Daniel Moise

SEMI-FINALISTS CHOSEN IN VACANT LAND DESIGN COMPETITION

In Spring 2004, PHS's Philadelphia Green program joined forces with the City Parks Association, the Pennsylvania Environmental Council, and The Reinvestment Fund to collaborate on a major project to generate new thinking about the future of Philadelphia's vacant land. As part of this collaborative, PHS launched the first phase of Philadelphia LANDvisions: Our Voices Our Future with a series of town meetings. Enthusiastic participants engaged in re-imagining Philadelphia, its neighborhoods and riverfronts.

The next phase, **Urban Voids: Grounds for Change,** is the international design competition to solicit ideas for innovative uses of urban land. The Van Alen Institute of New York will facilitate the competition. On January 27, a prestigious multi-disciplinary jury came together to review more than 300 entries from all over the world. To see some of these inspiring ideas and stay informed about upcoming events, please visit the competition website at *http://vanalen.org/urbanvoids/.*

MINDY MASLIN RECEIVES FORESTRY AWARD

Mindy Maslin, manager of PHS's Tree Tenders project, has received the Community Forestry Award, which was presented by the Pennsylvania Urban and Community Forestry Council late last year. Mindy was recognized for her 15 years of dedication to the Tree Tenders program, which trains Philadelphia residents to plant and care for trees in their neighborhoods. More than 1,500 individuals from 100 neighborhoods have completed the course and become stewards of the urban forest. Last spring, the Tree Tenders program expanded to offer training to residents in the counties surrounding Philadelphia.

GOLD MEDAL WEBSITE GETS AN UPDATE

The new year brings with it a redesigned website for PHS's Gold Medal Plant Award program. User-friendly and full of handy information, the new site showcases what makes Gold Medal plants so spectacular.

Perhaps the best feature of the new site is the elaborate search feature that enables you to find the perfect Gold Medal plant for your particular needs. You can sort the dozens of species by size, flower color, sun/shade preference, and even hardiness. The advance search lets you discover every imaginable intricacy of a plant, such as pest resistance, soil preference, and wet-weather tolerance.

Once you select the perfect plant, the website will show you where to purchase it. Not only will you find a list of stores with your plant in stock, but the site also lists public gardens where the species can be found.

PHS's Gold Medal Plant Award program, in partnership with Chanticleer, promotes woody plants of exceptional merit that thrive in the mid-Alantic region. PHS is grateful to The Stanley Smith Horticultural Trust, which provided funds for the website upgrade.

To find the Gold Medal plant that's perfect for your home landscape, visit *www.goldmedalplants.com.*

PHS MEMBERS TIPS FOR THE FLOWER SHOW

The PHS Members' Preview is Saturday, March 4, noon to 3:30 pm. Only PHS members can purchase extra tickets for the Preview (Cost: adults $60 and children $25.) In most cases, however, it is easier and less expensive to upgrade your membership than to purchase single preview tickets.

The Members' Lounge, located on the Show level, is open to all members (with membership cards) and offers a quiet spot to rest your feet from Sunday, March 5 through Sunday, March 12. The Lounge, which is managed by volunteers, opens at 10 am each day and closes at 4pm on Sundays and 7 pm all other days.

Members enjoy **discounts at the beautiful new PHS Flower Show Shoppe**, located on the Show floor. Many vendors in the **Marketplace** also offer PHS member discounts. The average discount is 10%.

For discounts, you MUST present your current PHS membership card before the sale is rung on the cash register. A list of participating vendors will be available at the Show at both membership booths and in the Members' Lounge. The list is also posted on the PHS web site, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.*

Flower Show Premier Sponsor Subaru of America, Inc. offers the **Subaru VIP Partners Program**. PHS members may be eligible for a discount on the purchase or lease of a new Subaru. For more info, visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* and click on the Membership tab or call the PHS membership office at 215-988-1622.

PLAN AHEAD TO ENJOY THESE SPECIAL FLOWER SHOW EVENTS

Enjoy a wide range of events at the Show, FREE with Show admission. For up-to-date schedule information, please check the Flower Show website, ***www.theflowershow.com***. A complete ***Schedule of Events*** and the ***Official Show Program***, including a floor plan, will be available for free at the Show.

Returning this year is the **PNC People's Choice Pavilion**, sponsored by PNC Bank, the Show's presenting sponsor. Stop by the Pavilion on the Main Show floor, fill out an entry form, and be entered to win great prizes.

The new **Hive Lounge**, located in Room 203, is a great place to meet your friends, hear live jazz and contemporary music from fabulous local musicians, and sip on cocktails before you see the Show. You can also enter your name to win great prizes, including $50 gift certificates to Philadelphia's finest restaurants. Take the PHLASH (the purple shuttle bus), after 5 pm during Show week—it's only $1 per ride! The Hive Lounge is open Monday, March 6 through Saturday March 11, 5 – 9:30 pm (closed on Sundays). Special thanks to our partners IKEA and PHLASH.

Catch up on the latest gardening trends at daily **lectures and demonstrations** in rooms 201B & 201C. Speakers this year include P. Allen Smith of the Weather Channel and Raymond Evison. The **Gardener's Studio**, presented by Subaru, features local and national experts conducting gardening demonstrations daily in B Hall on the Show floor. This is your opportunity to ask questions and get practical information.

At the **All-Star Culinary Presentations**, you'll learn expert kitchen techniques from an exciting lineup of celebrity chefs. Demonstrations take place daily—12 noon, 1:30 pm, and 3 pm. Demonstrations are held in room 204B. Special thanks to host Chef Joseph E. Shilling and the Art Institute of Philadelphia, School of Culinary Arts.

Planning an overnight stay for the Show? Check out dozens of **special offers at area hotels**. For information on hotel packages, please call Central Reservations at 888-222-1736. **Amtrak offers a 20% discount on fares** to Philadelphia from March 2 to March 14, 2006. Call Amtrak at 800-USA-RAIL and mention fare code V759. (Some restrictions apply.) For local transportation information, visit *www.septa.com* or call 215-580-7800.

Buy tickets in advance and save. Purchase tickets in advance at a discounted price of $20 at PNC Bank branches, AAA Mid-Atlantic branches, ACME Markets, Philadelphia-area Borders Books & Music stores, Clemens Markets, SEPTA ticket sales outlets and at participating garden centers. Service charges may apply. Tickets are also available online at *www.theflowershow.com.*

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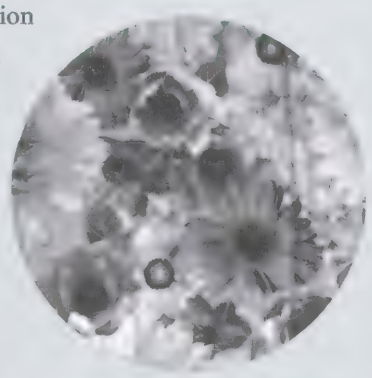
The 2006 scarf has arrived! This year's edition celebrates the elements of nature in bright and vibrant colors, featuring sunflowers, hydrangeas, and anemones. You can buy one before the Show by using the order form below, or you can purchase it at the Flower Show in the PHS Shoppe. Limited quantities of the 2005 scarf are also available.



2006 scarf detail of pattern

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The Garden Club of Trenton

Balconies
"Dreamscapes"
Chestnut Hill Garden Club
Jeannie Francis and Alicia McShulkis
Our Garden Club of Philadelphia and Vicinity
The Arboretum School of the Barnes Foundation

Container Display
"Where on Earth?"
The Country Garden Club of Mount Laurel
Island Heights Garden Club
Carla Pomponi and Jennifer Kevra
Chester County Art Association

Entryways
"Paths to Harmony"
Wild Endeavors
Roots Garden – Fisher Park
Lower Merion High School
Toni DeGeorge, Suzanne Holland, Mark Cordes

Gardens
"Seasons"
W. Hunter Hayes and Lauren Costello
The Siblings
John Donnelly
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Miniature Settings
"Worldly Wonders – Day"
Lucille W. Dickerson
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Cathy Olsen & Dot Milsom
Diane Quinlan
Martha McCloskey

"Worldly Wonders – Night"
Gallagher Group
Deborah Mackie and James Mackie
Marlis Schlegel Steadman, Mary Leather, and Mary Norwood
Adrienne Amey and Christine Jackson
Judith Carney

Tables
"Savory Delights"
Wissahickon Garden Club
Four Counties Garden Club
Joe and Rose LePosa
Old Eagle Garden Club
The Garden Club of Philadelphia

Terraces
"Divine Distractions"
Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia
University of Delaware Merrie Stems
Mill Creek Valley Garden Club
Garden Club of Wilmington

Urns
"Pleasures and Treasures"
Huntingdon Valley Garden Club
Woodland Gardens
Garden Club of Bala Cynwyd
The Weeders

Window Boxes
"Red Hot"
Providence Garden Club
Harriton High School
Greene Countrie Garden Club
Dora Rogers, Keith Straw, Jean Bodine
Northeast High School
Bryan Colket, Delton Designs

"Cool Blue"
Anne Kellett, Jane Pepper, Alan Slack, Mary Jo Strawbridge
Random Garden Club
The Bloomin' Club
Stone Harbor Garden Club
The Arboretum School of the Barnes Foundation, Class of 2007
The Marano Garden Club

BLOOMIN' FUN PASS

During Flower Show Week—March 5 through 12—present your Bloomin' Fun Pass to enjoy **special offers, events, and discounts at area restaurants, shops, attractions, theaters, gardens, and hotels**. Pick up your Bloomin' Fun Pass at PHS headquarters or at the following locations: PNC Bank branches, Philadelphia International Airport, SEPTA ticket sales outlets, area malls (Franklin Mills, The Shops at Liberty Place, The Gallery at Market East), Center City District kiosks, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Franklin Institute. Bloomin' Fun Pass online coupons can be printed at *www.theflowershow.com.*

EDUCATION PROGRAMS · EDUCATION

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

PROPAGATING PERENNIALS
Thursday, March 30, 10 am – 12 noon

Some of the best varieties you can plant this spring are right in front of you, just waiting to be increased in number. By propagating your own plants, you can get more plants for your own garden, have some to give away to friends, or share some of your favorites with PHS members at the PHS Plant Dividend in the fall. **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give an overview of propagating perennials and demonstrate the three most common methods: stem cuttings, root cuttings, and root division. He'll also explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will receive hands-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. **Limit: 20. Fee: $25 members, $30 non-members.**

EVENING LECTURES AT PHS
100 NORTH 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

GARDENS OF ENCHANTMENT
Thursday, February 2, 6 pm

In the spirit of the 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show theme, *Enchanted Spring ... A Tribute to Mother Nature*, **W. Gary Smith** will talk about the magical connections between people, plants, and art that create enchanting gardens. According to Smith, the design of such gardens begins with exploring the inner nature of a place and then enriching that spirit through horticultural skill and artistic creativity. This program explores the process of creating enchanted gardens that foster a deeper understanding of our relationship to nature and exhibit a sense of place.

For more than 15 years, W. Gary Smith has specialized in master planning and garden design for botanical gardens and arboreta. His work explores the intersection between ecological design and artistic abstraction. Smith received a 2004 Design Merit Award from the American Society of Landscape Architects for Peirce's Woods, an art-form garden (an artistic interpretation of a woodland) at Longwood Gardens, in Pennsylvania. In 2002 he received the Award of Excellence from the Association of Professional Landscape Designers for Peirce's Woods and for two other public garden projects: Enchanted Woods at Winterthur, in Delaware, and the Stopford Family Meadow Maze at Tyler Arboretum, in Media, PA. He recently completed a Gardens Master Plan for the Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center in Austin, Texas.

A senior lecturer in the master of landscape architecture program at the University of Texas at Austin, Smith serves on the Board of Directors at Tyler Arboretum and the Austin Visual Arts Association in Texas. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

NEW WAYS WITH PERENNIALS
Tuesday, February 28, 6 pm

Spend a memorable evening with celebrated British garden designer and prolific author **Noel Kingsbury** as he entertains, educates, and offers a fresh look at a variety of contemporary approaches to perennials: naturalistic, neo-formal, exotic, and beyond!

Noel Kingsbury is one of a new generation of garden designers and writers who are challenging established ideas. A gardener since childhood, he remembers skipping school to visit the Chelsea Flower Show, an event he returned to many years later as an exhibitor. He travels widely to study garden design and wildflowers, believing that we have a lot to learn from the experiences of other countries. Since 1994 Kingsbury has been working on a major garden at Cowley Manor near Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, that reflects the latest in ecological planting ideas. This garden has been recognized as one of the most important and visionary schemes of its kind. Noel regularly appears on British television and is the author of numerous books on various topics, including natural and wild gardening, designing with perennials, grasses and bamboos, designing for small spaces, and green roofs. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Note: The McLean Library will remain open until 5:45 pm for this evening program, which will be followed by light refreshments and wine.

PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW BEHIND-THE-SCENES TOURS

COACH TOUR: STONEY BANK NURSERIES, INC. AND J. FRANKLIN STYER NURSERIES
Wednesday, February 8, 8:30 am – 5 pm approximately
Glen Mills and Concordville, PA

This coach tour takes us to the home sites of two popular exhibitors at the Philadelphia Flower Show for a preview of how they will interpret this year's theme, *Enchanted Spring ... A Tribute to Mother Nature*. **Jack Blandy**, of Stoney Bank Nurseries in Glen Mills, and **Michael Petrie**, of J. Franklin Styer Nurseries in nearby Concordville, will discuss their plans and processes and show us some of the plants they are growing for their exhibits. We will enjoy lunch at a local restaurant between visits. Pick-up will be available at PHS, 20th and Arch Streets, or the Horticulture Center in Fairmount Park. Fee includes coach, tours, and lunch. **Limit: 20. Fee: $75 members, $85 non-members.**

MEADOWBROOK FARM
Wednesday, February 22, 10 am – 12 noon
Meadowbrook Farm, Abington Township, PA

This behind-the-scenes tour of Meadowbrook Farm's greenhouses will focus on the art and science, the successes and challenges of forcing plants for the Flower Show. **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will introduce us to the plants he is growing for Meadowbrook and other major exhibitors at the 2006 Show. **Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

TREE TENDERS BROWN-BAG LUNCH SERIES
PHS, 100 N. 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

All programs will be held from noon to 1 pm in the 5th floor auditorium. Attend all three and receive a Tree Tenders t-shirt. FREE. ***RSVP to Carol Dutill at 215-988-8869.***

- Tuesday, February 7, **Winter Tree Identification**
- Tuesday, February 14, **Urban Tree Stresses and How to Avoid Them**
- Tuesday, February 21, **Planting the Right Tree in the Right Place**

CLASSES

THE ART OF FLOWER ARRANGING
Three Wednesdays: February 22, March 1, 6:30 – 8:30 pm; & March 8, 8 am
PHS and the Philadelphia Flower Show

The Philadelphia Flower Show features floral arrangements created by some of the most talented designers in the world. Yet it is also a showcase for the work of local amateurs. For the visitor, it is an ideal place to gather ideas and learn by observing, even if all you ever do is arrange a simple bouquet in a vase.

This series is designed to help you get the most out of your Flower Show experience and learn basic principles of flower arranging from professional arrangers. The first session will include a demonstration by floral artist and Flower Show exhibitor **Lisa Ferraro**, who will stress basic principles of combining colors and textures, positioning masses, selecting containers, and tools and tricks of the trade. In the second session, participants will create their own arrangements to take home. The third session offers a rare opportunity to visit the Flower Show in the early morning, before it opens for the day and the crowds arrive, with a guided tour of flower arrangements by a seasoned Flower Show exhibitor. Fee includes instruction, all materials, Flower Show guided tour, and an extra ticket to visit the Show.

Lisa Ferraro comes to the world of floral design through her background in horticulture, which strongly influences her sense of aesthetics. She has studied floral design with Belgian and Dutch masters, here and abroad, who have helped her create her own modern, organic sense of style. She is an award-winning designer whose work has appeared in magazines such as *Grace Ormonde Wedding Style* and *Town and Country*. Lisa is currently a designer and special events coordinator for Robertson's Flowers in Philadelphia. **Limit: 24. Fee: $250 members, $295 non-members.**

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.pennclasses.org*.

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor or have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality, this is the class for you. This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include mixing the colors of nature, making a color journal, exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of brushes and paper. It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. **Limit: 15. Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members.**

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America.

FREE LECTURE SERIES AT PHS

100 NORTH 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science will co-sponsor a multi-session course, *Southeastern Pennsylvania Botany in the 18th & 19th Centuries*. The course is free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call 215-763-6529, ext. 23.**

Southeastern Pennsylvania Botany in the 18th & 19th Centuries

Six Mondays, March 20 – April 24, 6:30 pm

This course, taught by **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler**, will look at the contributions made to American botany by naturalists working in the Philadelphia region between 1730 and 1841, beginning with the Bartrams. Philadelphia was the botanical center of the Western Hemisphere as a consequence of the discoveries, collections, and publications of John and William Bartram, Henry Muhlenberg, Frederick Pursh, Constantine Rafinesque, and Thomas Nuttall. The class will focus on how their work formed the foundation of our knowledge of American flora and left a legacy that makes the botanical holdings of Philadelphia institutions unique in the Western Hemisphere for that time period.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

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You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

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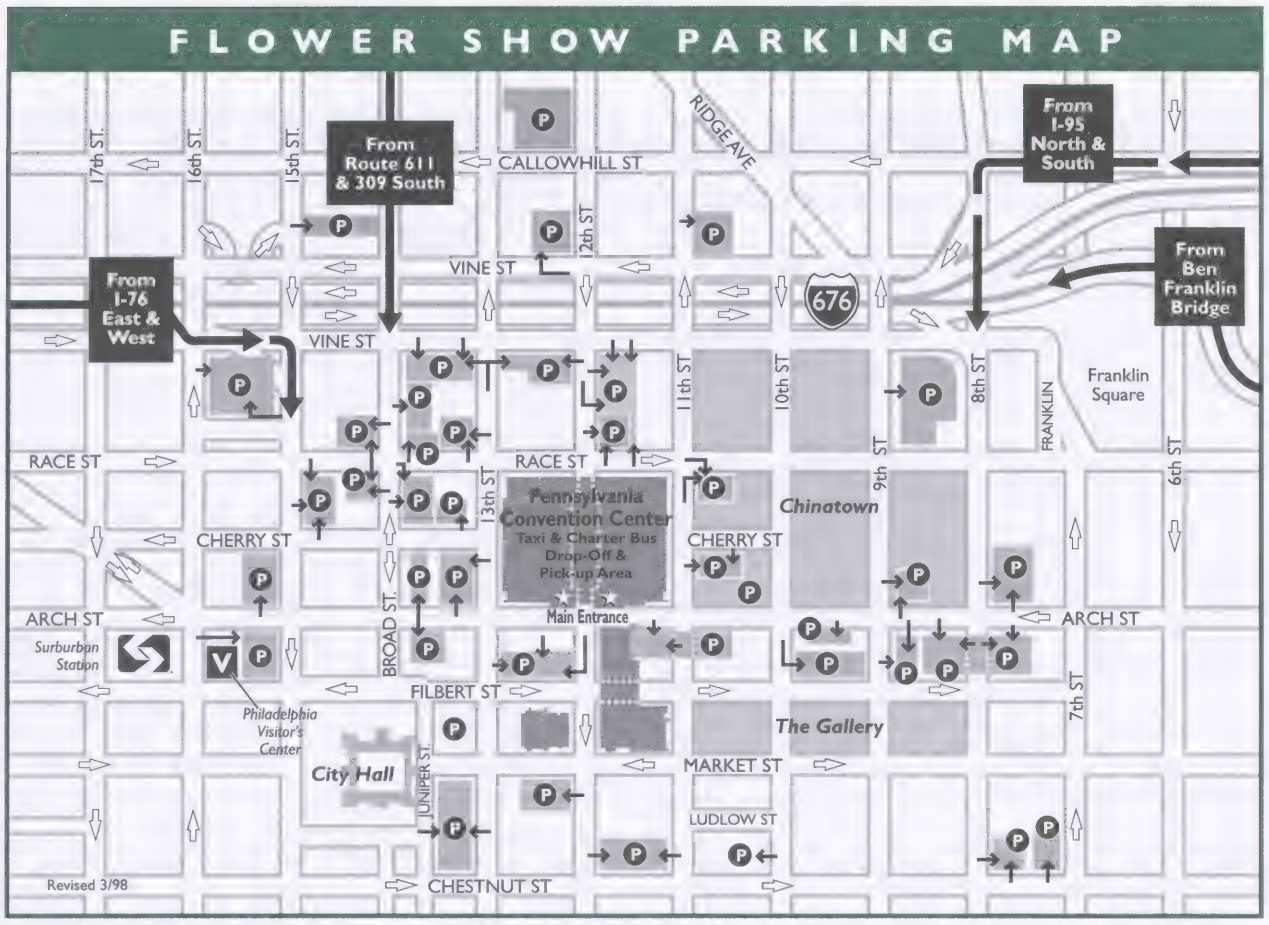
For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.



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SAVE THE DATE!

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society's **Kids Grow Expo** will be held at Temple University Ambler College on Friday, April 21. For further information, please contact Flossie Narducci at *fnarducc@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8897.

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PHS EXHIBITS AT THE FLOWER SHOW

Philadelphia Flower Show, March 5 – 12

Visitors to the 2006 Flower Show, *Enchanted Spring…a Tribute to Mother Nature*, will enjoy more than 10 acres of dazzling garden displays, including "Natura," the largest plant sculpture in the world, along with a re-designed educational section and dozens of other outstanding exhibits. "This is one Show you won't want to miss," says Show designer Sam Lemheney.

PHS members will feel right at home in a special area, located near the center of the Show floor, called the **PHS Village**. Here's where you'll find the **PHS Flower Show Shoppe**, where you can purchase Flower Show memorabilia, t-shirts, garden accessories, and garden-themed giftware and apparel (PHS members receive a discount, so be sure to bring your valid membership card). The Shoppe has been totally redesigned this year to enhance the shopping experience and allow for better display of items.

Right next door, you'll find a large replica of PHS's tree logo, and under its branches, the Philadelphia Green exhibit, the Gold Medal Plant Award exhibit, the PHS Membership Booth, and the Show Information Booth.

The **Philadelphia Green** display will include many aspects of the program, from vacant land restoration to community outreach, featured in colorful photos and an accompanying video presentation. The theme of this year's presentation is simple: an enormous "thank you" to all those attending the Show. Because revenues generated by the Show help fund Philadelphia Green initiatives, visitors are directly supporting the program by attending the Flower Show.

"We want everyone who attends to understand the connection between the Show and Philadelphia Green. Without the Show visitors, Philadelphia Green wouldn't be the tremendous service that it is," says Flossie Narducci, who is coordinating the exhibit.

Adjacent to the Philadelphia Green display, the **PHS Gold Medal Plant Award** exhibit will showcase award-winning trees, shrubs, and woody vines. The Gold Medal program, a partnership with Chanticleer, helps homeowners find plants that thrive in the Mid-Atlantic region. The exhibit will include plants that have been singled out for 2006 Awards. Knowledgeable volunteers from the Pennsylvania

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12th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA

www.theflowershow.com

Members' Preview: March 4, noon – 3:30 pm

General Admission:
Adults: $26 on Opening Sunday (March 5),
$24 on weekends and $22 weekdays.
Children aged 2 to 12: $12 (good any day)
Advance tickets: $20
Group tickets (20 or more people): $19.50

For more information, please visit *www.theflowershow.com* or call 215-988-8899 (recorded information).

Avoid the crowds! The best viewing times are from 3 pm until closing.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

A Family Affair

The group that stages and helps run the Philadelphia Flower Show is huge and varied, ranging from exhibitors and volunteers to members of the Philadelphia Police Department, who help steer visitors around town during the Show.

The connecting link to all these groups is the staff of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. Ten members of the Shows department, ably led by Kathy Mills, director of Shows production, and Sam Lemheney, director of Shows design, work on the Flower Show throughout the year, often moving between two to three Shows at a time, as each one progresses along a continuum from early planning to detailed planning to production.

Everyone else on staff (as I write there are 104 of us) has at least one Flower Show job, often one that has little in common with the role he or she plays during the rest of the year. Take Jane Alling, in real life PHS public services librarian. Her Show job for the past 12 years has been to organize our Early Morning Tours. Krista Raneri-Cheeseman spends most of her time at PHS handling administrative responsibilities including managing our fleet of vehicles. At the Show, she's the "hostess with the mostest" in the judges' lunch room. Debbie Hall started at PHS 19 years ago as an intern with Philadelphia Green. Today, she's a project manager. At the Show, she expertly handles a role I would never be able to play: managing a cash register in the Flower Show Shoppe.

I think it's fair to say that most of the staff enjoy their Flower Show jobs, but sometimes our visitors can be "challenging," to put it politely, so every February, at the last staff meeting prior to the Show, I give what has become known as my talk about "Dawn's grandmother." Dawn Waters, who has been with PHS for more than 16 years, is the office assistant in the Outreach Department, where she handles a myriad of responsibilities for Tree Tenders, Garden Tenders, and other programs. Her grandmother (really her great-aunt) is one of those gracious people who, like Dawn, never gets ruffled or impatient and has a smile for every person she meets. At the Show, I ask all staff members to behave in such as way that Dawn's grandmother would be proud of them, no matter how much their patience is tried!

Thanks to all of them for all they do every year to make it a great Flower Show.

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

FLOWER SHOW

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Landscape & Nursery Association will be on hand to answer questions about Gold Medal plants. (Learn more at *www.goldmedalplants.org.*)

At the **PHS Membership Booth**, you can renew or upgrade your membership, purchase gift memberships, and talk to membership staff and volunteers. Have a question about something in the Show? The helpful volunteers at the **Show Information Booth** can tell you anything from where to find the restrooms to the time and location of the next culinary lecture.

See you at the Show!

"We want everyone who attends to understand the connection between the Show and Philadelphia Green."

– Flossie Narducci

MEADOWBROOK FARM AT THE SHOW

See it at the Show. Buy it at Meadowbrook!

Where do they get all those gorgeous flowers you see at the Philadelphia Flower Show? Many of them are "forced" into bloom by the staff of Meadowbrook Farm, which will have a Central Feature exhibit at the Show. Located in Abington Township, just north of Philadelphia, Meadowbrook Farm is the former estate of the late Mr. & Mrs. J. Liddon Pennock, Jr. It is now an affiliate of PHS, as well as a first-class nursery and garden center. The Meadowbrook Farm staff offers guided group tours of the gardens and house, as well as horticultural classes and workshops for PHS members. For upcoming PHS events at Meadowbrook, see page 6 or visit *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* and click on "Calendar."

Meadowbrook Farm • 1633 Washington Lane,
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Hours: 10 am – 5 pm, Monday through Saturday
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IN THE SPOTLIGHT: HOWARD L. MEYERS

Howard Meyers and his wife Barbara attended their first Philadelphia Flower Show in 1975 and have been regular attendees at the Flower Show ever since. According to Howard, Barbara (a member of the Flower Show Preview Dinner Committee) is the gardener in the family, while he helps out by supplying "unskilled manual labor." Howard's talents lie elsewhere. A corporate partner with the international law firm Morgan Lewis & Bockius, he serves on the boards of many civic organizations, including the Committee of Seventy and the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the Campaign Cabinet of United Way of Southeastern Pennsylvania.

It was through the Chamber of Commerce that Howard got to know PHS president Jane Pepper. "I have known Jane for a number of years and admired the work of the Society generally and specifically the work of Philadelphia Green," he explains. About five years ago, he talked with Jane about getting involved with the Flower Show, then joined the Flower Show Executive Committee and was elected to the PHS Council.

Howard is currently serving a two-year term as chair of the Flower Show Executive Committee. He sees his role as promoting the Show in the civic and corporate community and supporting and encouraging the PHS staff, exhibitors, and volunteers. He also likes to make the connection between the Flower Show and PHS's overriding mission (*to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture*). The Flower Show is a major source of funds for PHS's urban greening program, Philadelphia Green, as well as other outreach and educational efforts.

Howard's commitment to the PHS mission was fully evident last fall, when he helped rally other Council members to participate in the annual Fall for Your Park event, held at the Morris Park and Papa Playground in the city's Overbrook section. Howard and his wife Barbara spent the morning in the park working alongside other volunteers to plant trees and native perennials, paint park buildings, and restore a woodland trail.

Howard thoroughly enjoys his role and values his relationship with PHS, which he finds rewarding in two ways: "The short-term reward for every chairperson is having a front row seat in seeing the Flower Show move from concept to realization every year and appreciating the artistry, creativity, and coordination that goes into the effort," says Howard. "The long-term reward from being associated with PHS is seeing the growth in Philadelphia Green and the positive impact it is having on people and neighborhoods throughout the city and beyond."

TWENTY YEARS OF PRESERVING GARDENS

The Neighborhood Gardens Association/A Philadelphia Land Trust Celebrates 20th Anniversary

Since its beginnings in the 1970s, PHS's Philadelphia Green program has been working with residents to create community gardens throughout the city. There are now hundreds of such gardens in Philadelphia, and they offer city residents a lush green space in which to relax, socialize, and grow their own fresh produce. Moreover, the gardens help create and strengthen community bonds and often serve as a springboard for further neighborhood improvements.

Many community gardens are located on formerly vacant, trash-filled lots that have been transformed through the hard work of neighborhood organizers. In most cases, the land is not owned by the gardeners but by the city or private owners who allow the site's temporary use as a garden, or its owners cannot be located. It's risky for the gardeners, since the land's future is always uncertain. Some sites have prospered for years only to be lost when landowners decide to sell or build on their properties.

That's where the **Neighborhood Gardens Association/A Philadelphia Land Trust** (NGA) comes in. NGA is a private, nonprofit urban land trust that works to ensure the long-term preservation of community gardens in Philadelphia neighborhoods. Incorporated in 1986, NGA celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

The NGA, which is located in the same building as PHS and shares some resources, was created through the efforts of PHS and the Penn State Urban Gardening Program to give gardeners a mechanism to save their hard-won green spaces.

PHS executive vice president Blaine Bonham was one of NGA's founding board members and recalls the impetus for the organization: "PHS was looking for ways to preserve some of the large community gardens that had become vital resources for their neighborhoods. So we helped form a group of interested representatives from the community, city government, businesses, and other nonprofits to establish the NGA, which could offer assistance to gardeners who wanted to preserve their sites."

Aspen Farms, a preserved garden in West Philadelphia

Terry Mushovic, NGA's executive director, explains that gardens play a major role in improving struggling neighborhoods, but are then threatened as developers become interested in building there. "Communities want to be able to keep their green spaces as the neighborhoods improve, but usually do not have the resources to acquire the land. They turn to NGA for help. As a land trust, NGA holds title to the land and ensures its continuation as a garden in perpetuity."

Twenty-four community gardens are currently in the land trust, and another thirteen are working toward preservation. Included are many Philadelphia Green-supported gardens, such as Aspen Farms in West Philadelphia and Glenwood Green Acres in North Philadelphia. These vegetable and flower gardens have thrived for more than 25 years and have strengthened, beautified, and enriched their neighborhoods. "Making our garden permanent is a tribute to all of the people who worked hard to create it," says Hayward Ford of Aspen Farms. "Now, people can garden here forever."

These days, as Philadelphia continues to re-invent itself—*National Geographic Traveler* magazine recently dubbed it the "Next Great City"—the pressure to develop open space within the city has grown. "Many things have changed in Philadelphia since NGA was created," says Mushovic. "Most noticeably, real estate prices have increased dramatically in recent years." NGA has undertaken a strategic plan to determine the best response to these new challenges and to look at the organization's future direction.

The NGA Board, staff, and gardeners will celebrate their 20th anniversary with a series of events at gardens throughout the city. Check the NGA website at *www.ngalandtrust.org* for more information.

– Jane Carroll and Margot Berg

SAUNDERS PARK SHAPES UP!

Pictured at the ribbon-cutting ceremony are (left to right): Harry Hill (PHS); Dan Fitzpatrick (Bank of America); Congressman Chaka Fattah; Jean Mitchell (Saunders Park Neighborhood Association); Dr. Ana McKee (Penn Presbyterian Medical Center).

The small park behind Penn Presbyterian Medical Center was always a community hotspot, so one year ago some ambitious organizations resolved to make it even better. Now, after a considerable amount of effort and energy, this spring will be a little sunnier for residents of Saunders Park.

Several organizations—Philadelphia Green, the University of Pennsylvania Health System, the People's Emergency Center CDC, Saunders Parks Neighbors, and UC Green—worked in partnership to transform the park into something spectacular. From the first meeting onward, there was a momentum that could not be stopped. "Our partners were really willing to invest in the community, so things moved quickly," reflects Paul Bonfanti, PHS parks project manager.

The generous funders, Bank of America and the William Penn Foundation, helped equip the park with a large, flowering urn; café-style seating; a garden area; and handy "doggie stations" to enhance the beauty of the park.

Saunders Park residents were elated by the improvements, as were the folks at Penn Presbyterian. "We hope our employees, patients, and visitors will see the park as a haven where they can sit and relax during what may be a difficult time," says Gary Ginsberg, assistant executive director of hospital facilities. "We also saw this as an opportunity to embrace our community and help stabilize the neighborhood. Everyone benefits."

– Daniel Moise

2006 PHS GARDEN VISITS

Chestnut Hill: May 21
Meadowbrook area: June 4
Bucks County: July 9
All tours are from 12 noon – 5 pm

The gardening season is almost here, and soon it will be time to hit the road with the 2006 Garden Visits, a longstanding PHS tradition. This year's destinations are Chestnut Hill, Meadowbrook, and Bucks County, each boasting an array of extraordinary, carefully selected gardens.

To be sure, no two gardens on any of the visits are quite the same. From small and intimate to grand and expansive, the chosen gardens run the gamut in style, size, and content.

"We try to include something for everyone. For instance, some gardens offer a wide variety of plants, while others focus more on the landscape," says Jill Evans, head of the Garden Visits committee for 2006. "I'm sure everybody will see something they could apply to their home garden. The visits are a great source of inspiration."

As always, most of the featured gardens are private and are located in the lush backyards of some very dedicated green thumbs. Access to these residential gardens is a rare opportunity. "We are very fortunate that people invite us to explore their properties," says Chela Kleiber, PHS education programs manager. "Without the Garden Visits you'd never see these amazing spaces."

As for public gardens, this year's event includes several Suburban Greening Award winners. Sponsored by PHS, the Suburban Greening Award recognizes individuals, community groups, garden clubs, and businesses that care for public-space plantings in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Delaware. "By including these stunning gardens, we are giving recognition to people who have worked so hard on a public space," Jill says.

Another special aspect this year is a visit to Meadowbrook Farm. Located just north of Philadelphia in Abington Township, Meadowbrook Farm offers outstanding flowering baskets, trees and shrubs, and one-of-a-kind specimen plants. There's also a beautiful gift shop and greenhouse filled with traditional and exotic houseplants, cut flowers, glassware, jewelry, vases, statuary, and seasonal adornments.

Those who register will receive a guidebook through the mail. The booklet includes garden descriptions, a map of each area, directions to all the gardens, and a nametag—which serves as admission the day of the event. The visits are self-guided and there is no pre-set schedule, so members may travel at their own pace and can stop by the sites in whatever order they wish. Volunteers will be present at each location to facilitate and answer questions.

And, in true garden fashion, the event will proceed rain or shine. We recommend bringing a water bottle, comfortable shoes, a camera, notepad and pencil, and snacks.

The Garden Visits are a benefit for PHS members and their guests. The cost is $10 for members and $25 for guests. To sign up, please use the registration form on page 7 or contact Carol Dutill at 215-988-8869 or *cdutill@pennhort.org*. *– Daniel Moise*

Join Us as a Garden Visit Volunteer

Please consider helping out at the 2006 Garden Visits (see dates above). Volunteer shifts run from 11:30 am to 2:30 pm and 2 to 5 pm. This is a great opportunity to spend a Sunday afternoon in an exceptional garden and meet fellow PHS members. Jobs include greeting and counting attendees, directing parking, and directing visitors in the garden. You may also visit the other gardens during the shift you are not working. To volunteer or for more information, please contact Carol Dutill at 215-988-8869 or *cdutill@pennhort.org*.

Meadowbrook Farm will be on the June 4 tour.

2006 PLANT SALES AND EVENTS LISTINGS

The Greater Philadelphia area offers a wealth of beautiful gardens and gardening activities. To help our members keep track of it all, *PHS News* has compiled a list of yearly plant sales, shows, and other major events sponsored by local plant societies, public gardens, and nonprofit organizations.

You'll find this list on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; just click on "Latest News." You can also receive up-to-date information on gardening events each month on your desktop by signing up for email alerts from the Wired Gardener. (To subscribe, email *wiredgardener@pennhort.org*).

If you prefer to receive a paper copy, please call the publications office at 215-988-8768. Note: This list is compiled as a service to our readers. Listings may be changed or deleted at the discretion of the editor.

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THE GREAT TREE JAMBOREE

Coming To Your Community

PHS will celebrate Arbor Month in grand style this year with a campaign to encourage tree planting by residents of Southeastern Pennsylvania throughout the month of April.

Special weekend events titled "The Great Tree Jamboree" (dates and locations to be announced) will take place in Bucks, Montgomery, Chester, Delaware, and Philadelphia counties and will feature tree sales and planting education by PHS experts. The events will be coordinated by PHS and sponsored by **TreeVitalize**, a program of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources. The primary goal of the events is to raise awareness of the need to plant shade trees throughout Southeastern Pennsylvania.

Please encourage your friends, family, and neighbors to support this important cause. For more information and a rebate coupon for tree purchases, go to *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

TREEVITALIZE PARTNERS

WHITE FLOWER FARM PURCHASES HELP SUPPORT PHS

Your membership dollars help support PHS programs throughout the year. Now, you can help even more by taking advantage of an offer from White Flower Farm, the family-owned mail-order nursery based in Connecticut. **Whenever you place an order with White Flower Farm, the company will rebate 10% of your order total to PHS.**

Simply provide the code **PENHS** on your next order, whether by phone, internet, or mail-order form. To browse the White Flower Farm catalog, visit *www.whiteflowerfarm.com*. For more information, please call the PHS Membership Office at 215-988-8776.

SAVE THE DATE: KIDS GROW EXPO

Friday, April 21

This year, the **Kids Grow Expo** will be held again on the Temple University Ambler College campus in conjunction with Temple's EarthFest, an outdoor educational festival. "The theme for this year's Expo is *Mother Nature … the Greatest Show on Earth.*

Held on **Friday, April 21 from 9:30 am to 2 pm**, this event promotes environmental awareness and celebrates Earth Day with activities and interactive displays, including service-learning projects and competitive classes. The Kids Grow Expo is free and open to the public. For more information, to register, or to volunteer, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducci@pennhort.org*.

SAVE THE DATE: 2006 AZALEA GARDEN PARTY

Celebrate the arrival of spring among hundreds of spring-blooming shrubs at the Azalea Garden Party on **Thursday, May 11, 5:30 – 8 pm.** This annual celebration raises funds for year-round maintenance of this lovely, four-acre garden, located in Fairmount Park just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. Join us for an evening of food, fun, and activities for the whole family. For information, please contact Ellen Wheeler at 215-988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*.

GREEN CITY YOUTH UPDATE

The January issue of *PHS News* described a project called Green City Youth, which encourages Philadelphia public school students to work with community stewards on greening projects.

Funded by the National Recreation Foundation, Green City Youth is a partnership between PHS and **Delaware Valley Earth Force**, which, since 1994, has engaged youths as active citizens to improve the environment and their communities. Thanks to Earth Force's successful service-learning framework, 150 students from five area schools are utilizing horticulture as a community-building tool.

Here, students from the Penn Alexander School in West Philadelphia are planting their potted tree seedlings in the Penn Alexander garden.

SPRING TREE TENDER TRAINING COURSES

In partnership with Penn State Cooperative Extension, PHS offers **nine hours of Tree Tender training** for residents of Philadelphia and the surrounding region. The hands-on training covers tree biology, identification, planting, proper care, fundraising, and working with local government and within your community. This course is designed for lay people and experts alike and is offered at three locations this spring.

Over the past 15 years, Southeastern Pennsylvania has lost millions of trees. The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources has created a public-private partnership, **TreeVitalize**, to help replenish the region's trees. You can help by becoming a Tree Tender!

Philadelphia:
Wednesdays, May 10, 17, 24, 5:45 – 8:45 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, PA

Bucks County:
Thursdays, March 23 & 30, April 6, 6 – 9 pm
Heritage Conservancy, Aldie Mansion
85 Old Dublin Pike, Doylestown, PA 18901

Montgomery County:
Tuesdays, April 18 & 25, May 2, 6 – 9 pm
Lower Merion Township Administration Building, Board Room
75 East Lancaster Avenue, Ardmore, PA 19003, PA

The course is FREE, but registration is required. To register by mail, please send us your name, address, phone number, and email address and state which training you would like to attend. **Send to: Dawn Waters, PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia PA 19103.** To register electronically, email the same information to ***dwaters@pennhort.org***, or go to ***www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org***, click on "Tree Tender Training in Philadelphia and Surrounding Counties," and fill in the online registration form.

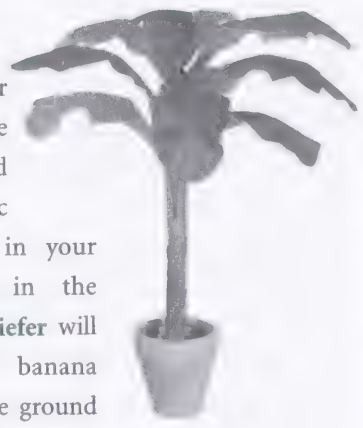
EDUCATION PROGRAMS · EDUCATION

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

PHS, 100 N. 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

GOING BANANAS IN THE DELAWARE VALLEY: HARDY BANANAS AND TROPICAL CONTAINERS FOR EVERY GARDEN

Wednesday, April 5
12 noon – 1 pm



Join us for a lunch-hour talk that will convince you that you can (and should!) grow exotic ornamental bananas in your garden, right here in the Delaware Valley. **Joe Kiefer** will recommend hardy banana varieties to grow in the ground that, with their bold appearance and unique texture, add an unexpected and dramatic look to your landscape. He will include maintenance tips and creative ideas on how to use them in your design. He will also discuss bananas for containers for patios and smaller gardens, the best varieties to use, their care and feeding, how to overwinter the pots, and much more!

Joe Kiefer is the owner of Triple Oaks Nursery & Herb Garden in Franklinville, NJ, where his specialty and hobby is growing hardy tropicals. Triple Oaks Nursery has extensive display gardens with cold-hardy tropical trials just 30 minutes from PHS in South Jersey. **Fee: $5.** Please bring your lunch; PHS will provide beverages.

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

WORKSHOP: PROPAGATING PERENNIALS

Thursday, March 30, 10 am – 12 noon

Some of the best varieties you can plant this spring are right in front of you, just waiting to be increased in number. By propagating your own plants, you can get more plants for your own garden, have some to give away to friends, or share some of your favorites with PHS members at the PHS Plant Dividend in the fall. **John Story**, general manager of Meadowbrook Farm, will give an overview of propagating perennials and demonstrate the three most common methods: stem cuttings, root cuttings, and root division. He'll also explain how to determine the appropriate timing and method for your plants. Participants will receive hands-on instruction and propagate plants to take home. **Limit: 20. Fee: $25 members, $30 non-members.**

DEMONSTRATION: ORGANIC GARDENING PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES

Thursday, April 13, 10 am – 12 noon

Here is an ideal opportunity to experience a comprehensive overview of the basic theory of and compelling reasons for gardening organically. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist and enthusiastic organic gardener **Glenn Ashton** will discuss composting; organic mulches; the elements of a healthy soil, including humus, worms and bacteria; organic fertilizers; and organic pesticides, including biologicals, predators, and IPM techniques. The talk will include both ornamental and edible crops. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WALK: NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Thursday, April 20, 10 am – 12 noon

Meadowbrook Farm's knowledgeable staff will present the many benefits of gardening with native plants. They will offer suggestions of highly desirable but underused native plants, tame native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives for challenging garden conditions. The program includes a tour of Meadowbrook's naturalized areas. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: MAKING A SUCCULENT WREATH

Wednesday, April 26, 10 am – 12 noon

Impress your friends and family with the charming living wreath you will design and create yourself in this workshop. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will demonstrate how to create a living wreath planted with a variety of small succulent plants. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss, then plant the succulent plants around the wreath. The finished product may be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or as a welcome wreath for your garden gate and is usually hardy enough to survive our winters. **Limit: 20. Fee: $50 members, $55 non-members.**

PROGRAMS AT CHANTICLEER

WAYNE, PA

WALK: SPRING BULBS

Wednesday, April 12, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

This garden walk and classroom discussion and slide lecture will explore the cheerful, seasonal flowers of spring: "Dutch" bulbs. Chanticleer horticulturist **Robert Herald** will focus on the most rewarding spring-blooming bulbs, those that are truly perennial and that naturalize. From snowdrops to daffodils, we will review their identification, garden culture, landscape uses and sources. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: PRUNING SMALL TREES AND SHRUBS

Wednesday, April 26, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

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CLASS

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION WITH WATERCOLOR

Eight Tuesdays: March 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11, 18, 25, May 2, 10 am – 1 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th Street, Philadelphia

If you feel challenged by the medium of watercolor or have wondered how botanical artists create the illusion of reality, this is the class for you. This basic introduction, presented by **Eileen Rosen**, will include mixing the colors of nature, making a color journal, exercises to create form and dimensionality, and discussion of brushes and paper. It is necessary to attend the first session of this eight-part series. A materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed upon registration. Instruction will be based on individual needs, and beginners are welcome. **Limit: 15. Fee: $215 members, $230 non-members.**

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America.

PROGRAMS · EDUCATION PROGRAMS

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SOUTHEASTERN PENNSYLVANIA BOTANY IN THE 18TH & 19TH CENTURIES

Six Mondays, March 20 – April 24, 6:30 pm

This course, taught by **Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler**, will look at the contributions made to American botany by naturalists working in the Philadelphia region between 1730 and 1841, beginning with the Bartrams. Philadelphia was the botanical center of the Western Hemisphere as a consequence of the discoveries, collections, and publications of John and William Bartram, Henry Muhlenberg, Frederick Pursh, Constantine Rafinesque, and Thomas Nuttall. The class will focus on how their work formed the foundation of our knowledge of American flora and left a legacy that makes the botanical holdings of Philadelphia institutions for that time period unique in the Western Hemisphere.

Dr. Alfred E. Schuyler is curator emeritus of botany at the Academy of Natural Sciences. He has authored more than 50 scientific publications and currently teaches at the Arboretum of the Barnes Foundation and the Wagner Free Institute of Science.

This course is co-sponsored by **PHS and the Wagner Free Institute of Science**. It is free and open to the public and will be held in the PHS Auditorium. Due to space limitations, pre-registration is required. Registered students will receive a syllabus and reading list as part of their registration acknowledgement. **To register, please call 215-763-6529, ext. 23.**

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Education Programs, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if less than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

TRAVEL WITH US

Space Still Available for 2006 Trips

PHS offers exciting tours in the United States and abroad to outstanding public and private gardens. Itineraries are available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. To receive a printed copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens in Sicily Plus

May 9 – 20, 2006

Our journey begins on the island of Sicily, where we will see perfectly preserved Greek temples and other historic structures—all evidence of the diverse civilizations that have left their mark on this fascinating island. We'll visit private gardens belonging to members of the Sicilian aristocracy. Along our way, the hills will be carpeted with an astonishing variety of wildflowers. We'll take the ferry at sunset from Palermo, and as the sun rises over Vesuvius, enter the bay of Naples to visit more private gardens and drive along the world-famous Costa Amalfitana, where tiny towns like Positano and Amalfi cling to the cliff-face. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

Norfolk and Sussex with Jane Pepper

June 4 – 15, 2006

PHS president Jane Pepper will lead this tour of English gardens in Norfolk and Sussex, home to some of the country's most important gardens. The relatively low-lying, open countryside of Norfolk includes some magnificent estates with superb gardens. By contrast, the Sussex countryside is dotted with smaller gardens. Ann and Colin Senior, who led a very successful tour of Gloucestershire last summer, return as tour organizers.

New England Sojourn

June 26 – 29, 2006

Litchfield County, in the northwestern corner of Connecticut, and the adjoining areas of New York and Massachusetts are known for the beauty of the countryside. The area's rolling hills are home to many avid horticulturists and garden designers, and we'll enjoy their handiwork—from cottage gardens to large estate gardens—on this four-day trip. We will travel by private motor coach from the Philadelphia area and stay in one hotel during the tour. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

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SPRING HAPPENINGS AT PHS

Spring is here, and PHS offers a full schedule of activities to get you in the mood for growing and greening.

Don't miss the **2006 Kids Grow Expo** on **Friday, April 21**.The Kids Grow Expo will be held again in partnership with Temple University's EarthFest, an outdoor educational festival at Temple's Ambler College campus. This year's theme is *Mother Nature … the Greatest Show on Earth*. The all-day event includes educational exhibits, service-learning projects, and competitive classes. Kids Grow Expo is free and open to the public. For more information, please visit our website, *www.pennsylvaniahorituculturalsociety.org*, or contact: Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *fnarducci@pennhort.org*.

Celebrate Earth Day this year by pitching in at one of Philadelphia's neighborhood parks. On **Saturday, April 22, from 10 am – 1 pm**, more than 60 neighborhood parks throughout Philadelphia will be planting, painting, and sprucing up during the annual **Spring Into Your Park**, a collaborative event sponsored by Philadelphia Green's Parks Revitalization Project, the Philadelphia Department of Recreation, and neighborhood park friends groups. Volunteers will receive free t-shirts (while supplies last). For more information, please call 215-988-1611 or email *parks@pennhort.org*.

Spend an elegant evening among hundreds of spring-blooming shrubs at the **Azalea Garden Party** on **Thursday, May 11, 5:30 – 8:00 pm**. This annual gathering raises funds for year-round maintenance of this lovely, four-acre garden, located in Fairmount Park just west of the Philadelphia Museum of Art. To request an invitation, please contact Ellen Wheeler at 215-988-8830 or *ewheeler@pennhort.org*.

Lend your gardening hands to **help beautify public sites** in Center City Philadelphia, including the Azalea Garden, the grounds of the Philadelphia Museum of Art, historic Eastern State Penitentiary, and other sites. Volunteers meet monthly. If you'd like to help out, please contact Joan Kapczynski at 215-988-8865 or *jkapczynski@pennhort.org*.

The Azalea Garden Party, which raises funds for the garden, will take place on May 11.

Attend a **Great Tree Jamboree** event in your neighborhood, where you can purchase trees and learn about tree care. See page 6 for details.

Mark your calendar for the annual **PHS Spring Garden Visits**. This year's Garden Visits will spotlight gardens in **Chestnut Hill** (May 21), **Meadowbrook** (June 4), and **Bucks County** (July 9). These popular tours are exclusively for PHS members. To sign up, please see page 4 or contact Carol Dutill at 215-988-8776 or *cdutill@pennhort.org*.

Need new ideas for your garden? Attend one of PHS's **Education Programs**. Browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, or see pages 4 and 5 for information on upcoming programs. City residents and others can also take advantage of free workshops on a variety of topics, presented through Philadelphia Green's **City Gardening Series**. Please see page 3 for more information.

IRISH THEME FOR 2007 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

As the 2006 Flower Show, *Enchanted Spring … a Tribute to Mother Nature*, goes into the history books, get ready for another enchanting journey, this time to an emerald isle. The theme for the 2007 Show (March 4 – 11) is *Legends of Ireland*. See you there!

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Thank You

One of the biggest pleasures in my role at PHS is to say "Thank You" to all who participate in the Philadelphia Flower Show. My thanks this year start with our exhibitors, who were beset by some unusual challenges, as the temperatures rose higher than in any winter many of us can remember.

With more than 20 years of experience in forcing plants for the Philadelphia Flower Show, John Story, manager of Meadowbrook Farm, explained to me why this year was especially difficult. In most winters, exhibitors can get the plants to bloom to perfection by adjusting the amount of light and heat they provide. Outside it may be well below freezing on a cloudy day. Inside the greenhouse it's a balmy 65°F with plenty of light from overhead lamps. At night, John and his team traditionally cool the houses down into the high 30s. This year, we had a run of days when the outside temperature was almost 60°F during the day and in the 50s at night. Always creative, John and other exhibitors shuffled plants from one greenhouse to the next or back into the cooler to hold them until it was time for the Show.

For many of the Competitive Class exhibitors, the story was the same. For some, there was a shortage of space in home refrigerators as milk and juice took second place to daffodils and crocuses.

Another group of people who do a wonderful job for PHS at the Show are the experts who come from all around the country to volunteer as judges. These judges are very important to us because we exhibit only the best and must depend on their decisions to choose the *best of the best*, a challenging task. To each one of them, thank you for coming to Philadelphia on your own time and at your own expense.

And finally, grateful thanks to the legions of volunteers who make the Show run smoothly from start to finish. There are those like Anne Kellett, profiled on this page, and Carmen Herrera von Wrangell and Francesca Northrup, chair and vice chair of the Competitive Classes, for whom this is a year-long endeavor. There are many, many others who come from far away or from just around the corner to help out. Each and every volunteer is vital to our success, and we thank you for your time, your patience, your creativity, and your love of the Flower Show.

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

PHS CO-SPONSORS URBAN SUSTAINABILITY FORUM

The **Urban Sustainability Forum**, a partnership between PHS and several environmental organizations, presents a series of programs examining social and environmental conditions in Philadelphia. At monthly meetings from January to June of 2006, the Forum examines key issues with the ultimate goal of developing and promoting an action plan for making Philadelphia the greenest, most livable city in America. Please join us for two sessions this spring:

April 20, 2005, 6 – 8:30 pm
Greene Country Towne:
The Future of Philadelphia Land Use Planning

May 18, 2005, 6 – 8:30 pm
Redeveloping Healthy Neighborhoods

The meetings, which are free and open to the public, will be held at the **Academy of Natural Sciences, 1900 Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia**. For information on upcoming topics and dates, please visit *www.sustainablephiladelphia.com* or contact Roland Wall at 215-299-1108 or *rwall@acnatsci.org*.

SAVE THE DATE!

Philadelphia Green to be Featured in PBS Documentary

In May, the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) will begin airing *Edens Lost and Found*, a four-hour documentary that looks at metropolitan areas, Philadelphia among them, that are trying to use greening and environmental innovation as a means toward urban rebirth. Produced by Academy Award-winning filmmakers Harry Wiland and Dale Bell, the movie is sure to inform, inspire, and engage.

The work of PHS's Philadelphia Green program is one of the highlights of the Philadelphia segment, on May 25 at 10 pm. A segment devoted to Chicago airs on May 18, and two other parts, showcasing Los Angeles and Seattle, will be broadcast in the fall.

Check your TV listings or www.pbs.org *to verify local broadcast stations, dates, and times. For more information on the documentary and related projects, visit* www.edenslostandfound.org.

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: ANNE KELLETT

Back in 1985, Anne Kellett first entered the Philadelphia Flower Show (the theme that year was *A Touch of Britain)* with her garden club, "The Gardeners." Much to the group's chagrin, some of their plants could not be coaxed into bloom in time for the Show.

Not to worry. "Everybody in the Flower Show gave us stuff for our exhibit," Anne recalls. "Exhibitors gave us plants they weren't using. Vendors in the Marketplace offered help—we would leave them notes saying things like, '…took three astilbes'—and even our competitors gave us plants. We came in fourth out of four entries, but it was still wonderful experience," she says. "If you didn't come away loving the Flower Show, there was something wrong with you."

That spirit of camaraderie got Anne hooked. Before long, she was a familiar face at every Flower Show, beginning with a stint as chair of the Gardens Class. She has served as chair of Competitive Classes and is co-chair of the Gardener's Studio, helping to recruit speakers for this popular Flower Show attraction. She also leads Early Morning Tours, staffs the Horticulture Information Booth, and helps place informational signs throughout the Show. "I'll do anything anybody needs," she declares.

Over the years, Anne has proved herself an uncommonly dedicated PHS volunteer. She has served as chair of PHS Council and has sat on numerous committees. She currently chairs the Nominating Committee, which helps recruit new volunteers and Council members. She is also a member of the Meadowbrook Farm, Education, Publications, Executive, Flower Show Executive, Membership, and Development committees.

Anne has found it "a privilege" to watch the growth of PHS, particularly its Philadelphia Green program. She was also excited to be part of the group that made the decision to accept the bequest of Meadowbrook Farm.

"I really think of myself as a cheerleader for the organization, and I've loved every minute of it," says Anne. "I can't imagine what my life would be like without PHS."

PHILADELPHIA GREEN LAUNCHES 'CITY HARVEST' PROGRAM

Anyone who has ever tended a vegetable garden knows the joy of sharing extra produce with family, friends, and neighbors. To be on the receiving end—to find that basket of tomatoes or zucchini on your doorstep—is another pleasure of the gardening season.

Now, through a collaborative partnership with the Self Help and Resource Exchange (SHARE), community gardeners, and the Philadelphia Prison System, Philadelphia Green has created **City Harvest**, a program that celebrates the natural generosity of gardeners, teaches skills to those seeking to reinvent their lives, and increases the availability of fresh produce at food cupboards in the city's low-income neighborhoods.

Through City Harvest, inmates from the Philadelphia Prison System will nurture seedlings that community gardeners will grow to maturity in their gardens. SHARE will distribute the gardens' produce to food cupboards in neighborhoods where such fresh, healthful food is often scarce. Twenty-three Philadelphia Green-affiliated gardens are involved in the project.

Philadelphia Green will provide technical assistance, materials, and training to reestablish the Philadelphia Prison System's Roots of Reentry garden and greenhouse facility, which had been discontinued due to lack of funds. It will work with community gardeners to increase production yields in their gardens through bio-intensive methods, aiming to produce more than 14,000 pounds of fresh vegetables and fruit over two years. The gardeners will serve as mentors to inmates, sharing cultivation techniques. There will also be cooking demonstrations and nutrition workshops at the food cupboards, helping the recipients make good use of the garden bounty.

The Hansberry Garden in Germantown is one of 23 community gardens participating in the City Harvest program.

"This is the kind of project that makes you feel good to come to work in the morning," says Barbara Solarz, program manager for Philadelphia Green. "What's really special about this project is that, in many cases, inmates will be nurturing seedlings that will be planted in the very places they lived in. It gives them a chance to do something positive for their communities, while also learning a valuable skill." She notes that, since horticulture is a high-growth industry, the training the inmates receive could help make them more employable when they return to society.

The project will establish community gardens as providers of fresh produce for needy recipients in their own communities and develop an efficient distribution system in each targeted neighborhood. Philadelphia Green staff will help maintain the network between gardeners and food cupboards.

Most of the participating gardens have secured their land through the Neighborhood Gardens Association/ A Philadelphia Land Trust, a nonprofit organization that helps fund the purchase of land for permanent use as gardens (see March 2006 *PHS News*). Says Solarz, "This means the gardeners can concentrate on doing this work instead of worrying about losing their gardens to development. We love that."

City Harvest is made possible by a grant awarded by The Albert M. Greenfield Foundation.

PHILADELPHIA GREEN CITY GARDENING SERIES

Now in its third year, the City Gardening Series presents free workshops for people who garden in small spaces. Workshops are held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city and are free and open to the public. For a complete list of upcoming events, please browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, or contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or *citygardening@pennhort.org*.

The City Gardening Series is generously supported through a collaborative partnership with **Chanticleer ... A Pleasure Garden**, in Wayne, PA.

Growing Vegetables in Containers
Saturday, April 1, 10 – 11 am
Lucien E. Blackwell Branch,
Free Library of Philadelphia
125 S. 52nd Street

Tips and Tricks of Flower Arranging
Tuesday, April 4, 3 – 4 pm
Walnut West Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
201 S. 40th Street

Gardening with Kids
Wednesday, April 5, 4 – 5 pm
Wyoming Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
231 E. Wyoming Avenue

Caring for Houseplants
Monday, April 10, 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Graduate Student Center of the University of Pennsylvania
3615 Locust Walk

Kitchen Garden in a Pot
Wednesday, April 12, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Greater Olney Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
5501 N. 5th Street

Water Gardens in Small Spaces
Wednesday, April 19, 6:30-7:30 pm
Holmesburg Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
7810 Frankford Avenue

How to Care for and Maintain Your Lawn
Saturday, April 22, 10 – 11 am
Awbury Arboretum, Cope House
One Awbury Road

Designing a Container Garden
Monday, April 24, 3:30 – 4:30 pm
Graduate Student Center of the University of Pennsylvania
3615 Locust Walk

Color in the Garden
Wednesday, April 26, 7-8 pm
Katherine Drexel Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
11099 Knights Road

Creating Window Boxes
Saturday, April 29, 10 – 11 am
Lucien E. Blackwell Branch,
Free Library of Philadelphia
125 S. 52nd Street

BROWN-BAG LUNCH

PHS, 100 N. 20TH STREET, PHILADELPHIA

GOING BANANAS IN THE DELAWARE VALLEY: HARDY BANANAS AND TROPICAL CONTAINERS FOR EVERY GARDEN

Wednesday, April 5
12 noon – 1 pm

Join us for a lunch-hour talk that will convince you to grow exotic ornamental bananas in your garden, right here in the Delaware Valley. **Joe Kiefer** will recommend hardy banana varieties to grow in the ground that, with their bold appearance and unusual texture, add an unexpected and dramatic look to your landscape. He will include maintenance tips and creative ideas on how to use them in your design. He will also discuss bananas for containers, the best varieties to use, their care and feeding, how to overwinter the pots, and much more!

Joe Kiefer is the owner of Triple Oaks Nursery & Herb Garden in Franklinville, NJ, where his specialty and hobby is growing hardy tropicals. Triple Oaks Nursery has extensive display gardens with cold-hardy tropical trials just 30 minutes from PHS in South Jersey. **Fee: $5.** Please bring your lunch; PHS will provide beverages.

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Meadowbrook Farm will be on the June 4 tour.

PROGRAMS AT CHANTICLEER

WAYNE, PA

WALK: SPRING BULBS

Wednesday, April 12, 5:30 - 7:30 pm

This garden walk, classroom discussion, and slide lecture will explore the cheerful, seasonal flowers of spring: "Dutch" bulbs. Chanticleer horticulturist **Robert Herald** will focus on the most rewarding spring-blooming bulbs, those that are truly perennial and that naturalize. From snowdrops to daffodils, we will review their identification, garden culture, landscape uses and sources. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

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WALK: LINE, COLOR, FORM, AND HOT NEW PLANTS

Thursday, May 11, 6 – 8 pm

What makes a plant attractive? Is it the architecture, the effect it creates in the garden, the emotion the colors induce, or all of the above? Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** as we stroll through the gardens looking at what the Chanticleer staff does best: grows and displays new plants and innovative plant combinations. We will emphasize plants with interesting lines, texture, and color—both hardy and tender—that are suitable for Delaware Valley gardens. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WALK: SHADE GARDENING

Wednesday, May 17, 6 – 8 pm

Gardening in the shade poses a unique set of challenges, but the rewards can be most satisfying as you enjoy the cool blends of colors and textures only shady gardens offer. Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she explores plants growing in varying degrees and types of shade. As she leads us through the lovely grounds of Chanticleer, Lisa will point out plants suited for moist and dry situations. She will also discuss soil preparation, plant selection, maintenance, and dynamic plant combinations. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM

ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

DEMONSTRATION: ORGANIC GARDENING PRINCIPLES AND TECHNIQUES

Thursday, April 13, 10 am – 12 noon

Here is an ideal opportunity to experience a comprehensive overview of the basic theory of and compelling reasons for gardening organically. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist and enthusiastic organic gardener **Glenn Ashton** will discuss composting; organic mulches; the elements of a healthy soil, including humus, worms and bacteria; organic fertilizers; and organic pesticides, including biologicals, predators, and IPM techniques. The talk will include both ornamental and edible crops. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WALK: NATIVE PLANTS IN YOUR LANDSCAPE

Thursday, April 20, 10 am – 12 noon

Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Diana Weiner** will present the many benefits of gardening with native plants. She will offer suggestions of highly desirable yet underused native plants, tame native replacements for exotic problem plants, and natives for challenging garden conditions. The program includes a tour of Meadowbrook's naturalized areas. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: MAKING A SUCCULENT WREATH

Wednesday, April 26, 10 am – 12 noon

Impress your friends and family with the charming living wreath you will design and create yourself in this workshop. Meadowbrook Farm horticulturist **Virginia Page-Hentschel** will demonstrate how to create a living wreath planted with a variety of small succulent plants. Participants will fill a 10-inch wreath frame with moss, then add the succulent plants around the wreath. The finished product may be used as a living centerpiece for a garden table or as a welcome wreath for your garden gate and is usually hardy enough to survive our winters. **Limit: 20. Fee: $50 members, $55 non-members.**

CLASSES

LAYERING YOUR GARDEN FOR MAXIMUM YEAR-ROUND ENJOYMENT

Three Mondays, May 8, 15, 22, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, and Downingtown, PA

Have you dreamed of having a four-season garden, one where each day of the year brings you pleasure, a garden where each space is special in itself, yet ties in with the

next area to weave together an exquisite garden picture? Whether you have a small city space or a large suburban or country garden, this program will provide you with the tools and inspiration you need to develop your garden's maximum potential every day of the year. **David Culp** will guide us through a variety of design situations, from small spaces to informal spaces to formal perennial borders. He will address plant and color combinations, the importance of texture, seasonal plant interest, and the use of containers. The first two sessions will include slide presentations and discussion at PHS and the third session will feature a tour of David's celebrated Downingtown country garden.

David Culp is sales representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, where he also is responsible for plant research and development. He is a hands-on gardener and noted hellebore hybridizer. His garden is a frequent stop on local tours and has been featured on Home & Garden Television Network (HGTV), Martha Stewart, and in numerous national publications, including *Fine Gardening, Martha Stewart, Colonial Homes, Rodale's Gardening with Perennials, Horticulture,* and *Country Gardens.* David is an instructor at Longwood Gardens; contributing editor to *Horticulture* magazine; and a freelance author, designer, and lecturer. **Limit: 30. Fee: $185 for PHS members, $225 for non-members.**

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.pennclasses.org*.

IN THE GARDEN

SPRING WILDFLOWERS AT MOUNT CUBA

Tuesday, May 23, 10 am – 12 noon
Greenville, DE

The **Mt. Cuba Center**, dedicated to the study of piedmont flora, realizes the vision of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland. On the gently rolling hills of the Delaware Piedmont (the foothills that gradually rise to the Appalachian mountain range), the Copelands established their 630-acre estate to preserve the historic rural pastures and fields, protect the native forests, and develop a series of naturalistic woodland gardens and formal landscapes. Today, Mt. Cuba Center is a nonprofit institution committed to promoting an appreciation for plants native to the Delaware Piedmont. Stroll through one of the region's most beautiful wildflower gardens at its peak. View unrivaled collections of trillium, lady slipper orchids, and phlox. See the spring ephemerals you have only seen in books. Learn the secrets of naturalistic garden design on a guided tour with **Eileen Boyle**, education coordinator at the Center. Mt. Cuba in the spring is a truly magical experience. For more information on Mt. Cuba Center, visit *www.mtcubacenter.org*. Directions will be sent with confirmation. **Limit: 30. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

SHOPPING DISCOUNTS FOR PHS MEMBERS

Save the dates below to take advantage of generous shopping discounts on outstanding offerings at the best time for planting. The Gateway and Primex garden centers offer a wide selection of annuals, perennials, trees, shrubs, and other gardening needs. Simply **present your PHS membership card** for your shopping discount on the dates listed below. For more information, please call the membership office at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

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Glenside, PA 19038
215-887-7500

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

Name: _____ Member ID# _____

Guest(s): _____
(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed. **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

Card Number _____ Expiration: _____

Signature: _____

Mail to: PHS, Attn: Education Programs, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Education Programs, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard, or American Express. You may also register on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*; click on "Calendar."

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if fewer than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

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TRAVEL WITH US

A Few Spaces Still Available for 2006 Trips; Sign Up Now!

PHS offers exciting tours in the United States and abroad to outstanding public and private gardens. Itineraries are available on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*. To receive a printed copy of any itinerary, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Gardens in Sicily Plus

May 9 – 20, 2006

Our journey begins on the island of Sicily, where we will see perfectly preserved Greek temples and other historic structures. We'll also visit the world-famous Costa Amalfitana, where tiny towns like Positano and Amalfi cling to the cliff-face. Tour leaders: Jean Lenehan of JL Tours in Wayne, PA, and Betsy Gullan, PHS membership manager.

Norfolk and Sussex with Jane Pepper

June 4 – 15, 2006

PHS president Jane Pepper will lead this tour of English gardens in Norfolk and Sussex, home to some of the country's most important gardens. The relatively low-lying, open countryside of Norfolk includes some magnificent estates, while the Sussex countryside is dotted with smaller gardens. Ann and Colin Senior, who led a very successful tour of Gloucestershire last summer, return as tour organizers.

DATES CONFIRMED FOR THE GREAT TREE JAMBOREE

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www.peddlersvillage.com
215-794-4000

Chester County
April 29
Warwick Outdoor Fest
382 County Park Road, Pottstown
610-344-6415

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Route 252 & Rose Tree Road, Media
www.co.delaware.pa.us/depts/rosetree.html

Montgomery County
Saturday, April 29
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Hatfield Township Public Complex
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Philadelphia County
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EDENS LOST & FOUND TO AIR IN MAY

Thursday, May 25, 10 pm
WHYY, Channel 12 (Check local listings)

On **May 25**, PHS and its Philadelphia Green program will be featured in a PBS documentary called ***Edens Losts & Found***. The film is an uplifting look at Philadelphia, Chicago, Seattle, and Los Angeles, four cities that are using greening and environmental innovation as a means toward urban rebirth. Produced by Academy Award-winning filmakers Harry Wiland and Dale Bell, it reveals how professionals, government, and citizens can come together to create a better way of life for all.

PHS played a significant role in making the documentary's Philadelphia segment. By raising funds, arranging logistics, and tapping its broad network of friends and partners in Philadelphia, the PHS staff was an integral part of the filming process.

Of course PHS wasn't solely behind the scenes—the decades-long efforts of PHS's Philadelphia Green program are a highlight of the film. The documentary also showcases other endeavors that have put the city on the path toward a better future, such as charter schools, new housing opportunities, and the work of the Mural Arts Program.

"Our role in the film relates to stewardship of the environment. Greening is an important step toward revitalizing a city that must be lifted up and recognized," says Joan Reilly, director of Philadelphia Green, who managed PHS's involvement in the production.

Tying this all together is the film's host, actor David Morse, a Philadelphia resident. Morse has been featured in dozens of films, as well as the television series, *Hack*, which was set in Philadelphia.

The first two segments of *Edens Lost & Found* will feature Chicago (May 18) and Philadelphia (May 25). The other two parts, on Los Angeles and Seattle, will air this fall.

Those involved with *Edens* as well as many Philadelphia Green participants and supporters will get a sneak peek of the film at a premiere on May 3 at the Kimmel Center for the Performing Arts. Hosted by PHS and co-chaired by Governor Ed Rendell and Mayor John Street, the evening will include a Q&A with the filmmakers and a reception. The premiere is sponsored by CDM, a consulting, engineering, construction, and operations firm.

John Gannon

Filmmaker Harry Wiland was on location in Philadelphia last year.

In November 2006, PHS will host a **symposium** to promote sustainable urban environments through community-based participation. Broad in scope, the symposium is designed to lure a national audience in addition to the local academics, activists, and professionals who make Philadelphia so progressive, as well as representatives from all four *Edens* cities. Wangari Maathai, the first African woman to win the Nobel Peace Prize, will deliver the keynote address.

"*Edens Lost & Found* is a groundbreaking film, and I'm incredibly proud that PHS was instrumental in its development," says J. Blaine Bonham Jr., executive vice president of PHS. "I also think it's terrific that the work of PHS will garner national exposure, allowing the entire country to see what we're all about."

For more information on the film, please visit *www.edenslostandfound.org*.

Grateful thanks to the following supporters of *Edens Lost & Found*: Boeing Company, Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Philadelphia Water Department, Scotts Miracle Gro®, and the William Penn Foundation.

ON THE WEB

Visit the PHS website today,
www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org

- Get the facts about Katrina, termites, and mulch.
- Visit the Gold Medal section of our website, where you can now search for plants by size, flower color, light requirements, and more.
- Browse the PHS calendar for a complete list of upcoming events.
- View a list of area plant sales and events.
- Order a 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show video or DVD.

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The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Surprise Guests

Little did I know that Flower Show 2006 would be full of surprises. The first came during Show week when one of my brothers, Simon Guest, his wife Fiona, and their son Michael appeared in my office, straight off the plane from Scotland. "We hadn't seen the Show in a few years," they said, "so we decided a few days ago that it was time to come over and visit." Gullible as I am, I believed them and was just happy to share the delights of *Enchanted Spring*.

The Saturday evening before the Show closes is often anticlimactic. The Awards Lunch is over, there are usually no corporate or sponsorship events, and those volunteers and staff who can get away from their duties head home to get some rest before tear-down the following evening. Show designer Sam Lemheney had told me he had to attend a scouting event with his son, and my family had told me they were going to Chestnut Hill to see old friends. There was an event, marked "IGS," on my schedule, which the PR & marketing department had told me was a group of 200 meeting planners. They asked that I stop in and welcome these guests to the Show around 6 pm.

When I arrived at the event, I found not 200 meeting planners, but 250 familiar faces—members of the PHS staff, former and current Council members, major exhibitors, and the chairs of our key Flower Show volunteer committees. They had all been gathered together by PHS chair Harry Hill and a group of co-conspirators on staff—wearing sheepish grins—to celebrate my 25th anniversary as president of PHS. "IGS" turned out to be International *Guest* Services—my maiden name used in a new way!

Oh my goodness, I was blown away. As I cried my way through the next hour and a million hugs, it was a wonderful experience to see all the amazing people who have made my quarter century with PHS such a joy.

There were members of staff who had welcomed me on my first day in 1979 when I joined PHS as public information coordinator, as well as Hank Reichner, who chaired the search committee that chose me to succeed Ernesta Ballard as head of PHS in 1981. When I was appointed, because I was so young and inexperienced, they told me I would have the title of Executive Director. That sounded fine to me. I was beyond excitement to have the job and I still am. Thanks to all at PHS who make every day on the job fun, interesting, and sometimes, surprising!

Jane Pepper

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

GROWING THE FUTURE OF PHS

The **Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society** honors those individuals who have provided for the future of the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society by including PHS in their estate plans.

This May, Schaffer Society members are invited to celebrate and share their inspiration at a garden luncheon event with others who are considering a planned gift to PHS. Our presenter, Phil Wallis of Keystone Conservation Trust, will explain the benefits of the Legacy Property Fund, a retained life estate program with land conservation advantages that allows you to donate part or all of your property to PHS while retaining the right to live on your property as long as you wish.

If you would like to receive an invitation for a future event to hear Phil's presentation, please contact Melisssa DeRuiter, PHS development director, at 215-988-8766 or *mderuiter@pennhort.org*.

Charitable Planned Gifts

Did you know that charitable planned gifts can achieve both estate-tax and income-tax savings, allowing you to leave assets to your heirs that in many cases are not subject to additional taxes? There are many ways a charitable planned gift can help your family achieve its financial and philanthropic goals, while supporting what matters to you most at PHS.

Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society Founding Members

Dorothea H. Behr	Elizabeth P. McLean
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L. Marjorie Eglin*	Alan P. Slack
John E. Hopkins	Phyllis G. Williams
Margaret A. Krengel	**deceased*

To learn more about how to include PHS in your estate plans, or for a personalized illustration of how a charitable planned gift to PHS could benefit you, please contact Melissa DeRuiter at 215-988-8766 or *mderuiter@pennhort.org*. All conversations are kept in strict confidence.

P.S. If you have included PHS in your estate plans, please let us know so we may thank you and add you to our honor roll!

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: GINNY FRIEDMAN

One week after the Oscars, a very different, but equally exciting, awards ceremony occurred at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, honoring the 2006 Flower Show's best of the best. The top honor of the day went to Ginny Friedman, who, for the third consecutive year, walked away with the Grand Sweepstakes. Ever-modest, Ginny was overwhelmed and flattered by the recognition.

"I have to be honest; I'm always surprised. The Show's so busy that I can't keep track of how I'm scoring. Each time they've announced my name I've been taken aback," she says.

The Grand Sweepstakes is awarded to the individual (as opposed to group) with the highest combined points in the horticultural and artistic classes. For the "Horticourt," Ginny relies upon her bulbs to bring in the blue ribbons. For the artistic classes, she lets loose a bit and experiments with pressed plants, jewelry, or whatever else catches her interest.

Of course, becoming an award winner requires a lot of preparation. As soon as the Show schedule is released in September, Ginny begins to plan out her entries. Luckily for her, her husband Glenn is supportive of her hobby-gone-wild. "I think he enjoys seeing how excited I become, which is good, because there ends up being a lot of flowers all throughout the house," she says.

Besides the obvious devotion to her entries, another component of Ginny's winning streak may be genetic. Her grandfather was a farmer, her sister was a landscape architect, and her aunt, Rosemarie Vassalluzzo, was a former Sweepstakes winner. "Although they're no longer here, I'd like to think their spirits are with me during the Show," she says.

Since 1997, Ginny has not only competed in the Flower Show, but she's also been an active member of many of its committees. From arbors to rooms, she's contributed to them all. Most recently, Ginny joined the membership committee, a role that she takes quite seriously: "Membership is great because it benefits everyone. PHS clearly benefits from having [a large constituency], but the members themselves benefit from all the events and resources that are available to them."

Although it's still many months away, Ginny is already excited for the 2007 Show, *Legends of Ireland*. "I know it will be wonderful, it's a great theme," she says, "but it's the love of growing that keeps me coming back each year."

– Daniel Moise

THE NEW LOOK OF LOGAN SQUARE

After six months of hard work, landscape renovations at Philadelphia's Logan Square are substantially complete. The project, funded through a grant from The Pew Charitable Trusts and support from the Fairmount Park Commission, is part of a larger effort to revitalize the Benjamin Franklin Parkway, which stretches from City Hall to the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

The Landscape Plan

Logan Square is one of the five original squares that city founder William Penn included in his seventeenth-century vision of Philadelphia as a "Greene Countrie Towne." In recent years, however, the landscaped traffic circle within the Square, constructed in 1919, had fallen into disrepair, with uneven paths, barren planting beds and broken benches. In addition, the popular empress trees (*Paulownia tomentosa*) that ringed the Swann Fountain were in poor condition and had to be removed; new trees will be planted this fall.

Today, Logan Square is beaming with a whole new landscape, new pathways, and lush planting beds. To create a more serene environment around the fountain, the central lawn gently tilts inward toward the center of the circle. Planting beds ring the lawn and are tilted toward the street to show off annuals and shrubs to passersby. The new flowers and shrubs are inspired by the plants collected by Lewis and Clark on their historic journey, which had its roots in Philadelphia. Included are eastern varieties of the plants collected in the Pacific Northwest, such as fragrant sumac (*Rhus aromatica*), *Coreopsis tinctoria* 'Crème Brulee', *Gaillardia aristata* 'Dazzler', and the Lewis mock orange (*Philadelphus lewisii*).

New Trees from Longwood Gardens

Longwood Gardens in Kennett Square, PA, is growing 12 new Paulownia trees that will be transplanted to Logan Square in November (watch *PHS News* for information on a dedication ceremony at that time). The young saplings were grown from cuttings of the original trees that stood along Longwood's famous Paulownia allée. As a result of this high-quality parentage, the trees destined for Logan Square are sure to have a consistent bloom time and color.

In Longwood's trial gardens, plant physiologist and propagator Jim Harbage and his nursery team are growing a larger number of Paulownias, from which the final—and best—12 specimens will be selected. The trees have underdone a process of cutting back and root pruning in preparation for their move to Logan Square. As this species is particularly fast growing, the replacements will be of significant size within a few years after planting. Under ideal conditions, the young empress trees can grow an impressive six inches per week…almost one inch per day!

Here, the Longwood crew is using a hydraulic tree spade to move a Paulownia *tree in their nursery. Moving the trees serves two purposes: "root-pruning," to encourage growth of fibrous roots, and relocating, for better access when it comes time to prepare the trees for transplanting to Logan Square.*

Plans for the Future

PHS and Fairmount Park have developed a landscape management plan, which will ensure ongoing care for the new landscape, and have committed staff and money for upkeep. Fairmount Park will continue to provide basic landscape services such as mowing, litter pickup, and maintenance of the irrigation system.

Says Mark Focht, executive director of Fairmount Park, "We look forward to working with PHS on a variety of projects in the years ahead, including further landscape improvements to the Benjamin Franklin Parkway."

2006 CITY GARDENS CONTEST

Contestants and Volunteers wanted

Since 1975, the PHS City Gardens Contest has celebrated the efforts of city gardeners who have transformed urban plots into flowering green havens. The City Gardens Contest continues to attract entries of all sizes and types, from tiny tucked-away spaces to enormous community gardens tended by people of all backgrounds. The contest is open to Philadelphia residents and is judged each July by volunteers.

To enter your garden, please complete and return the adjacent form by June 10, 2006. Winners receive $50, $25, and $10 gift certificates, as well as a one-year PHS membership.

To volunteer as a judge or for more information, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or *specialevents@pennhort.org*. (Note: you do not have to be a Philadelphia resident to volunteer as a judge.)

City Gardens Contest Entry Form

Name:_____

Address: _____

Address of garden: _____

Home phone:_____ Work phone: _____

Email:_____

Check appropriate category:

Individual Gardens

- ☐ Individual Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Flower Garden
- ☐ Combination Flower/Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Individual Container Garden
- ☐ Child's Garden

Community Gardens

- ☐ Community Vegetable Garden
- ☐ Community Flower/Sitting Garden
- ☐ Combination Vegetable/Flower Garden
- ☐ Children's Garden
- ☐ "Garden Block" with window boxes and sidewalk planters
- ☐ "The Greenest Block in Town" (street trees/front yards)

Return to: PHS, City Gardens Contest, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103

MILL CREEK FARM

A new urban agriculture venture, Mill Creek Farm, is taking shape at 49th and Brown Streets in West Philadelphia with support from the Neighborhood Transformation Initiative and the Philadelphia Water Department. As a project consultant, Philadelphia Green has been working with Cahill Associates, an environmental design firm, to devise a number of special landscape features that will help funnel stormwater from nearby streets onto the farm. A "bioswale"—a wet planting area that will utilize rainwater—will be planted with berry bushes and fruit trees. The site improvements have already dramatically reduced flooding in the area. The farm building will be constructed of recycled materials and will have a living green roof and a composting toilet.

Pictured at right, farm managers Johanna Rosen (front) and Jade Walker (kneeling) work with neighborhood children to plant garlic in raised planting berms. The women plan to work with the Urban Nutrition Initiative to distribute affordable produce from the farm throughout the neighborhood.

CITY GARDENING SERIES

The City Gardening Series presents workshops for people who garden in small spaces. Workshops are held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. For a complete list of upcoming events, please browse the calendar on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*, or contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or *citygardening@pennhort.org*. Workshops are free unless otherwise noted.

The City Gardening Series is generously supported through a collaborative partnership with **Chanticleer … A Pleasure Garden**, in Wayne, Pa.

Fragrant Flower Garden
Wednesday, May 3, 7 – 8 pm
Katherine Drexel Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
11099 Knights Road

Container Gardening with Herbs
Monday, May 8, 4 – 5 pm
Queen Memorial Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
1201 S. 23rd Street

Gardening with Kids
Wednesday, May 10, 4 – 5 pm
Joseph E. Coleman Branch,
Free Library of Philadelphia
68 West Chelten Avenue

Attracting Birds to Your Garden
Wednesday, May 10, 7 – 8 pm
Fox Chase Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
501 Rhawn Street

The Urban Garden: Pits, Plots, and the Window Box
Saturday, May 13, 10 am – 1 pm
The Trinity Center for Urban Life
22nd and Spruce Streets

Landscape designer Toni Ann Flanigan will give two presentations on urban gardening at 10 am and 11 am. Each presentation will be followed by a guided walking tour of private Center City gardens. *Admission is $5 per person. Please call 215-732-2515 for additional information and to reserve a place on one of the tours.*

Designing and Planting Window Boxes
Monday, May 15, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Richmond Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
2987 Almond Street

Blooming Houseplants
Wednesday, May 17, 7 – 8 pm
Fox Chase Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
501 Rhawn Street

Spring Bus Trip to Chanticleer, in Wayne, PA
Thursday, May 18, 5 – 8 pm

Chanticleer horticulturist Jonathan Wright will lead a workshop on "Designing the Mixed Border." Buses will leave PHS, 100 N. 20th Street at 5 pm SHARP, returning to Philadelphia by 8:30 pm. *Registration and a $5 fee are required for this event. To register, please call Marilyn Reynolds 215-988-8872 by Thursday, May 11.*

Planting Summer Bulbs
Saturday, May 10, 10 – 11 am
Frankford Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
4634 Frankford Avenue

Planning Your Summer Garden
Wednesday, May 24, 7 – 8 pm
Fox Chase Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
501 Rhawn Street

Gardening in Containers
Saturday, May 27, 10 – 11 am
Southwest Community Development Corporation
6328 Paschall Avenue

Houseplants and Their Care
Wednesday, May 31, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
West Oak Lane Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
2000 Washington Lane

Growing Vegetables and Flowers in Containers
Saturday, June 3, 10 – 11 am
Holly Street Neighbors Community Garden
421 N. 42nd Street

Container Gardening
Monday, June 5, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Haverford Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
5543 Haverford Avenue

Easy and Colorful Containers
Wednesday, June 7, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Wadsworth Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
1500 Wadsworth Avenue

Gardening with Kids
Saturday, June 10, 2 – 3 pm
Falls of Schuylkill Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
3501 Midvale Avenue

Kitchen Gardens
Saturday, June 17, 10 am – 12 noon
Historic Bartram's Garden
54th Street and Lindbergh Boulevard

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www.peddlersvillage.com
215-794-4000

Philadelphia County
Sunday, May 14
Friends Hospital Garden Days
4641 Roosevelt Boulevard
Philadelphia, PA 19124-2399
1-800-889-0548

At a recent TreeVitalize event in Norristown, PA, volunteers and city officials gathered for a tree planting demonstration by Rick Deppen, a forester from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.

Fifty-five volunteers planted 70 trees in three Norristown locations.

TreeVitalize Neighborhood Tree Planting

Saturday, May 6, 10 am – 1 pm

Fairmount Tree Tenders will plant 57 trees in the Art Museum neighborhood of Philadelphia. Volunteers are needed for this fun, rain-or-shine event. For the exact meeting location and more information, please call Roland at 215-232-0257 or *Fairmount200@aol.com*.

TreeVitalize Partners

BECOME A TREE TENDER

Philadelphia Tree Tenders Basic Training
Wednesdays, May 10, 17, & 24, 5:45 pm to 8:45 pm
PHS
100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor

This is a three-part series for groups and individuals interested in caring for trees in their neighborhoods. For more information, please contact Mindy Maslin at 215-988-8844 or *treetenders@pennhort.org*. To register online, go to *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org* and choose "Tree Tender Training." **Friday, May 5 is the deadline for registration.**

THE GREEN SCENE PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST IS BACK!

Last year, PHS launched the *Green Scene* "Garden Photo Contest," and the wildly successful contest is back for 2006. This year's theme will be **"People in the Garden,"** and we're hoping to see your best shots of friends, family, gardeners, or everyday nature lovers standing amidst the flowers and foliage.

The contest's judges will be looking for superb images that capture the beauty of gardening and create a sense of community through horticulture. Winning photos will be published in the December 2006 issue of *Green Scene* magazine and on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org*.

Photos can be shot in any format, but **must be submitted as 4 x 6- or 5 x 7-inch prints, with your name, phone number, and email address on the back**. No submissions by email or on CD will be accepted. **The deadline for entries is September 1, 2006.**

For more entry information, official contest rules, and a complete list of submission requirements, please see the June or August issues of *Green Scene* or visit the PHS website. You can also email *greenscene@pennhort.org*.

2006 PHS SUBURBAN GREENING AWARD

The PHS Suburban Greening Award recognizes individuals, community groups, garden clubs, and businesses who are inspired to care for public space plantings in suburban Philadelphia, New Jersey, and Delaware.

PHS is proud to acknowledge the efforts of those who improve their communities by greening "Main Streets," traffic islands, public parks, commercial ventures, and train stations. A panel of evaluators visits each nominated site in July. Criteria such as variety of plants, horticultural practices, use of space, and maintenance are considered when recommending a site for recognition.

If you know of a public-space planting in suburban Pennsylvania, New Jersey, or Delaware that should be recognized by PHS, please contact Flossie Narducci at 215-988-8897 or email *specialevents@pennhort.org*. The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2006.

PHS Helps Launch Statewide Greening Contest

PHS's successful Suburban Greening Award has recently inspired a broader, statewide recognition program. PHS has teamed up with Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful to help them create a similar award, the **Community Greening Recognition Award**. This award celebrates public-space gardens throughout the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. (To qualify, a garden must serve as a community amenity and must be open to the public free of charge.)

The deadline for nominations is June 30, 2006. Volunteer judges are needed in all regions of Pennsylvania. For more information, to nominate a garden, or to volunteer as a judge, please contact Barley Van Clief at 610-353-1555, ext. 221, or *vanclief@prc.org*. You can also learn more by visiting *www.keeppabeautiful.org*.

2006 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

CENTRAL FEATURE AWARDS

Valley Forge Flowers, "Floratopia Tree"
Stoney Bank Nurseries, "Mother Nature's Garden: Wind, Water, and Fire"
J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc. and Life3, "Natura: Goddess of Nature"
Meadowbrook Farm, "Garden Delights"

PNC PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARDS

The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc., Saturday (Members' Preview)
EP Henry Corp., Opening Sunday, Wednesday, and Thursday
Waldor Orchids, Monday; Tuesday; Friday; and Saturday, March 11

THE KATE AND ROBERT BARTLETT JR. AWARD

(Best Use of Trees in a Landscape)
J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc., "Entertain in Elegance"

MAJOR EXHIBITOR AWARDS

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society Flower Show Award for Best in Show

Landscape: Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc.
Floral Design: Michael Bruce Florist
By Invitation: EP Henry Corp.
Academic Educational: Delaware Valley College, Department of Ornamental Horticulture & Environmental Design
Nonacademic Educational:
American Horticultural Society
Plant Societies:
African Violet Society of Philadelphia

The Best Achievement Award

Landscape:
Use of Bulbs in the Landscape: Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists
Unique Garden Setting: Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc.
Tranquil and Formal Setting: J. Cugliotta Landscape/Nursery, Inc.
Naturalized Landscape: Daniel G. Kepich & Associates
Interpretation of a Winter Landscape: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.
Creative Garden Design: Waterloo Landscaping

Floral Design:
Dramatic Use of Color: Michael Bruce Florist
Fanciful Party Setting: Flowers by David
Creative Floral Design: Haddonfield Floral Company
Best Party Decorations: Lamsback Floral Decorators
Bold Use of Color in a Party Setting: Robertson's Flowers
Tranquil Setting of Life Integrated with Nature: Jamie Rothstein Floral Design
Distinctive Party Setting: The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

By Invitation:
Integration of Hardscape: EP Henry Corp.
Use of Aquatic Plants: Ponds & Gardens of Limekiln
Exceptional Ideas for Water in the Landscape: Stephens Garden Creations, Inc.
Extraordinary Orchid Display: Waldor Orchids

The PHS Award of Merit for an Outstanding Exhibit

Academic Educational: Temple University Ambler College & Arboretum
Nonacademic Educational: Fairmount Park Commission
Plant Societies: North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter

The Philadelphia Flower Show Award for an Exhibit of Distinction

Academic Educational: Horticulture Academy at Abraham Lincoln High School
Nonacademic Educational: Camden City Garden Club, Inc.
Plant Societies: Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society

The Philadelphia Flower Show, Inc. Silver Trophy

J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.

Alfred M. Campbell Memorial Trophy

Jacques Amand, The Bulb Specialists

The Mayor's Trophy

Robertson's Flowers

The Governor's Trophy

Burke Brothers Landscape Contractors, Inc.

The Philadelphia Trophy

Flowers by David

The PHS Council Trophy

Lamsback Floral Decorators

Special Achievement Awards of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania

1,000 sq. ft. and over
Conservation: Daniel G. Kepich & Associates
Education: Stephens Garden Creations, Inc.
Horticulture: Waldor Orchids
Creativity: J. Franklin Styer Nurseries, Inc.

Under 1,000 sq. ft.
Conservation: Camden City Garden Club, Inc.
Education: American Horticultural Society
Horticulture: Netherlands American Business Association
Creativity: Philadelphia Water Department

PHS AND SPECIAL PANEL AWARDS

Penn Valley Garden Club Trophy (Gardens)

The Siblings

PHS Trophy (Entryways)

Lower Merion High School

PHS Trophy (Container Display)

The Country Garden Club of Mount Laurel

Chicago Horticultural Society Flower Show Medal

Waldor Orchids

The Pennsylvania Landscape & Nursery Association Trophies

Entryway: Toni DeGeorge, Suzanne Holland, & Mark Cordes
Garden: The Siblings

Massachusetts Horticultural Society Gold Medal

The Siblings

The American Horticultural Society Citation

EP Henry Corp.

Bulkley Medal of the Garden Club of America

Delaware Valley College, Department of Ornamental Horticulture and Environmental Design

Men's Garden Club of Delaware Valley Trophy

Daniel G. Kepich & Associates

Society of American Florists Flower Show Award

The Taylors of Penny Hill Flower Shop, Inc.

The Phyllis M. Craig Award

Jamie Rothstein Floral Design

MARKETPLACE AWARDS

(First Place)
Horticulture
Large: Ash's Flower Farm
Standard: Greensleeves

Garden Accessories
Large: Sandstone Gardens
Standard: Green Piece Wire Art

Botanical Art
Large: The James Company
Standard: Chrissy Glenn Photo

HORTICULTURE AWARDS

The PHS Ribbon—Best of Day, One Variety

Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Merideth Hirschbuhl
Friday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

The PHS Ribbon—Best of Day, Two or More Varieties

Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Clifton West & John Ray

PHS Orchid Award

Bayard Saraduke

The Emile H. Geschick Memorial Award

Waldor Orchids

American Orchid Society Show Awards

Mrs. T. C. Colket, Jr., Kathleen Harvey, Thomas Purviance, Waldor Orchids

Philadelphia Unit of the Herb Society of America Inc. Award

Saturday: Margaret P. Bowditch, Katherine C. Kristol, Diana S. Wister
Tuesday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton, Ray Rogers, Temple University Ambler College
Friday: Dr. Gerald Barad, Katherine C. Kristol, Stephen Maciejewski

North American Rock Garden Society Delaware Valley Chapter Doretta Klaber Award

Ann Rosenberg

North American Rock Garden Society, Delaware Valley Chapter Ribbons

Classes:
2320 – Ann Rosenberg
2325 – Margaret P. Bowditch
2340 – Susan Deeks
2345 – Margaret P. Bowditch
2347 – Lynn Cook & Troy Ray
2350 – Patter Peterson
2355 – Lee Morris Raden
2360 – Clifton West & John Ray
2365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
2790 – Lee Morris Raden
2800 – Beverley Rowland
3320 – Ann Rosenberg
3325 – Clifton West & John Ray
3340 – Clifton West & John Ray
3345 – Lee Morris Raden
3347 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3350 – Patter Peterson
3355 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3360 – Clifton West & John Ray
3365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
3860 – Lynn Cook & Troy Ray
4320 – Ann Rosenberg
4325 – Mary Ann Bursich
4340 – Ann Rosenberg
4345 – Ann Rosenberg
4347 – Lee Morris Raden
4355 – Ann Rosenberg
4360 – Dick & Ann Rosenberg
4365 – Mrs. Pierre S. du Pont
4800 – Lynn Cook & Troy Ray
4810 – Ray Rogers
4940 – Michael J. Lofurno

2006 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW AWARD WINNERS

Delaware Valley Daffodil Society Ribbons (Narcissus Classes)
Saturday: Ray Rogers
Tuesday: Ray Rogers
Friday: Ray Rogers

PHS Ribbon (Bulb Section)
Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: John F. Gyer
Friday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

American Primrose Society, Doretta Klaber Chapter Ribbons
Classes:
2320 – Ann Rosenberg
2325 – Margaret P. Bowditch
3320 – Ann Rosenberg
3325 – Clifton West & John Ray
4320 – Ann Rosenberg
4325 – Margaret P. Bowditch

Far Out Cactus Trophy
Dr. Gerald Barad

Meadowbrook Farm Indoor Gardening Trophy
Martha Miller

The Edith Wilder Scott Award
Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society Ribbons
Classes:
161 – Garden Club of Wilmington
2205 – Dr. Gerald Barad (2 ribbons)
2222 – Dr. Gerald Barad
2245 – Dr. Gerald Barad
3202 – Dr. Gerald Barad
3205 – Dr. Gerald Barad
3297 – Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
3755 – Dr. Gerald Barad
4202 – Dr. Gerald Barad
4245 – Joseph Lamela-Macchia
4660 – Sylvia R. Lin
4880 – Ray Rogers
Central Features – Stoney Bank Nurseries & Meadowbrook Farm

The Susie Walker Award (Outstanding Begonia Entry)
Saturday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Tuesday: Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton
Friday: Sylvia R. Lin

PHS Ribbon (Outstanding Gesneriad Entry)
(Tuesday only) Diana S. Wister

ARTISTIC CLASSES

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Niches)
Saturday: Ginnie Tietjens
Monday: Donna Edwards & Jo Kane
Wednesday: Tammy Feuer & Diane Suiter
Friday: Margo Bennett

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Miniature Arrangements)
Saturday: Francesca C. Northrup & Jackie Purvis
Wednesday: Gretchen Riley

Blue and Gold Ribbon of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania (Defined and Open Spaces)
Saturday: Jane Godshalk & Sandy Hullett
Monday: Peggy Moore
Wednesday: Kelley Asplundh & Gerrie Sammak
Friday: Jane Godshalk & Sandy Hullett

PHS Trophy (Miniature Arrangements)
Thomas Philip & Laura Philip

PHS Trophy (Pressed Plant Materials)
Tsuru Tsuchida

PHS Trophy (Miniature Settings)
The Gallagher Group

Jack Kellmer Company Award (Table Class)
Old Eagle Garden Club

Delaware Valley Florist Association Trophy
Old Eagle Garden Club

Nancy Reid Clausen Award (Medium Niche)
Margo Bennett

The Carolyn Waite Award (Small Niche)
Ginnie Tietjens

PHS Pedestal Award
Ginny Friedman

The Garden Club of America Certificate of Excellence
Old Eagle Garden Club

The PHS Trophy (Defined, Open Spaces, and Pedestals)
Peggy Moore

The Helen Hope Dechert Award (Small and Medium Niches)
Ginnie Tietjens

PHS Trophy (Designs for Jewelry)
Anne Scott

PHS Award (Balconies)
Our Garden Club of Philadelphia and Vicinity

PHS Award (Urns)
Garden Club of Bala Cynwyd

PHS Award (Window Boxes/ Lamp Posts)
Bryan Colket & Delton Lewis

PHS Award (Terraces)
The Garden Club of Wilmington

PHS Award (Arbors)
The Garden Club of Trenton

The PHS Awards for Daily Maintenance and Condition
Arbor: The Garden Club of Trenton
Garden: W. Hunter Hayes & Lauren Costello
Balcony: The Arboretum School of the Barnes Foundation, Class of 2006
Table: Four Counties Garden Club
Terrace: Men's Garden Club of Philadelphia
Urn: Huntingdon Valley Garden Club
Container Display: Carla Pomponi & Jennifer Kevra
Entryway: Roots Garden – Fisher Park

SWEEPSTAKES

The Hamilton Greenhouse Award (Runner-up in the Individual Horticulture Classes Sweepstakes)
Dr. Gerald Barad

Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland Horticultural Sweepstakes Trophy (Individual, Horticulture Classes)
Mrs. Samuel M. V. Hamilton

Margah Flood Memorial Trophy (Organization, Horticulture Classes)
Winner: Philadelphia Cactus & Succulent Society
Runner-up: Wissahickon Garden Club

Sarah C. Z. Groome Award (Individual, Artistic Classes)
Winner: Ginny Friedman
Runner-up: Gretchen Riley

The Rosemarie P. Vassalluzzo Artistic Sweepstakes Trophy (Organization)
Winner: Four Counties Garden Club
Runners-up (tie): The Huntingdon Valley Garden Club & The Garden Club of Philadelphia

Margaret Buckley Zantzinger Award (Organization with the greatest number of points in all competitive sections)
Winner: Wissahickon Garden Club
Runner-up: The Garden Club of Philadelphia

The PHS Grand Sweepstakes Trophy (Individual with the greatest number of points in all competitive sections)
Ginny Friedman

SPECIAL BULB CLASSES ANNOUNCED FOR THE 2007 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW

Thinking about entering the Horticulture Classes at next year's Philadelphia Flower Show? Why not try your hand at growing these exciting bulb selections for 2007?

General Bulb Classes (open to all exhibitors)
- *Narcissus* 'Kaydee' (Division 6, Cyclamineus), Pot: 6"
- *Narcissus* 'Misty Glen' (Division 2, Long-Cupped), Pot: 8"
- *Narcissus* 'Ceylon' (Division 2, Long-Cupped), Pot: 8"
- *Tulipa* 'New Design', Pot: 8"
- *Hyacinthus* 'Kronos', Pot: 8"

The following **Novice Classes** are open to anyone who has never won a blue ribbon in the Horticulture Classes at the Philadelphia Flower Show prior to 2007:
- *Narcissus* 'Toto' (Division 12), Pot: 8"
- *Tulipa* 'Couleur Cardinal', Pot: 8"
- Any *Hippeastrum* (Amaryllis); a single-nosed bulb

All bulbs must be grown and shown in pots of the size specified (inside diameter). You may use bulb pans, azalea pots, or standard pots for all bulb classes. Look for a complete listing of all bulb classes and an entry form in the 2007 Philadelphia Flower show *Exhibitor's Guide.*

PLEASE NOTE: The *Exhibitor's Guide*, entry forms, and *A Beginner's Guide to Entering the Horticulture Classes* can be downloaded from the Flower Show website, *www.theflowershow.com*, each year beginning in September. To request a free printed copy, please send your name and address (print clearly, please) to: Exhibitor's Guide, Shows Department, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th St., 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495, or send an email to *fsguide@pennhort.org.* (This mail address is for Exhibitor's Guide requests only, not for general information about the Show. For Show information, call PHS at 215-988-8800 or visit *www.theflowershow.com.*)

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

LINE, COLOR, FORM, AND HOT NEW PLANTS
Thursday, May 11, 6 – 8 pm

What makes a plant attractive? Is it the architecture, the effect it creates in the garden, the emotion the colors induce, or all of the above? Join horticulturist **Dan Benarcik** as we stroll through the gardens looking at what the Chanticleer staff does best: grows and displays new plants and innovative plant combinations. We will emphasize plants with interesting lines, texture, and color—both hardy and tender—that are suitable for Delaware Valley gardens. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SHADE GARDENING
Wednesday, May 17, 6 – 8 pm

Gardening in the shade poses a unique set of challenges, but the rewards can be most satisfying as you enjoy the cool blends of colors and textures only shady gardens offer. Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Lisa Roper** as she explores plants growing in varying degrees and types of shade. As she leads us through the lovely grounds of Chanticleer, Lisa will point out plants suited for moist and dry situations. She will also discuss soil preparation, plant selection, maintenance, and dynamic plant combinations. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

DEER-RESISTANT PLANTS
Thursday, June 8, 6 – 8 pm

It's true, there really are plants that deer shun, at least in most garden settings. **Robert Herald** will show us gorgeous examples on the grounds of Chanticleer, as he also suggests tried and true methods to discourage deer from turning your garden into their private dining room. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

DRY GARDENING
Thursday, June 15, 6 – 8 pm

The rich, moist, well-drained soils that are ideal for so many of the garden plants we love are simply not available in times of drought. Yet many excellent garden plants actually prefer drier soils. **Joe Henderson** will reveal the bounty of fabulous plants that will tolerate—even desire—poor and drier conditions and that are excellent specimens for lower-maintenance summer gardens. He will also show how to create the conditions that favor their continued health. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL
Thursday, June 22, 6 – 8 pm

Stepping away from the norm, **Dan Benarcik** will discuss the use of vines and groundcovers to complement your landscape and garden plantings. Uncommon or underutilized plants suitable for these purposes will be featured in this informal walk and discussion in the garden. We all have vertical challenges in our gardens, and we often have a lot of ground to cover, so this class will focus on these issues and provide some solutions and options. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SENSATIONAL SUMMER CONTAINERS
Wednesday, July 12, 6 – 8 pm

Container gardening at Chanticleer goes way beyond the ordinary, mingling annual, perennial, tropical, and subtropical plants in vibrant, fearless, creative combinations. **Dan Benarcik** will discuss how to create successful container gardens and offer suggestions for uncommon plant combinations. He'll also cover cultural concerns, such as soil mixes, watering, and fertilization. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SCRATCH AND SNIFF
Wednesday, July 26, 6 – 8 pm

Spend a sensuous summer evening walking through Chanticleer with **Robert Herald**, who will shield our eyes and ears to the sights and sounds of the garden; instead, we will follow our noses and discover those plants that delight our most powerful sense—smell. We will explore both floral and foliage fragrance and how these alluring qualities may be used in our own garden design and plant selections. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

CLASSES

LAYERING YOUR GARDEN FOR MAXIMUM YEAR-ROUND ENJOYMENT
Three Mondays, May 8, 15, 22, 6:30 – 8:30 pm
PHS, 100 N. 20th St., Philadelphia, and Downingtown, PA

Have you dreamed of having a four-season garden, one where each day of the year brings you pleasure, a garden where each space is special in itself, yet ties in with the next area to weave together an exquisite garden picture? Whether you have a small city space or a large suburban or country garden, this program will provide you with the tools and inspiration you need to develop your garden's maximum potential every day of the year. **David Culp** will guide us through a variety of design situations, from small informal spaces to formal perennial borders. He will address plant and color

Chela Kleiber

David Culp's Garden

combinations, the importance of texture, seasonal plant interest, and the use of containers. The first two sessions will include slide presentations and discussion at PHS, and the third session will feature a tour of David's celebrated Downingtown country garden.

David Culp is sales representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, where he also is responsible for plant research and development. He is a hands-on gardener and noted hellebore hybridizer. His garden is a frequent stop on local tours and has been featured on Home & Garden Television Network (HGTV), Martha Stewart, and in numerous national publications, including *Fine Gardening, Martha Stewart, Colonial Homes, Rodale's Gardening with Perennials, Horticulture,* and *Country Gardens.* David is an instructor at Longwood Gardens; contributing editor to *Horticulture* magazine; and a freelance author, designer, and lecturer. **Limit: 30. Fee: $185 for PHS members, $225 for non-members.**

Please note: This program is co-sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania College of General Studies. To register, please call 215-898-6479, or enroll online at *www.pennclasses.org*.

IN THE GARDEN

SPRING WILDFLOWERS AT MOUNT CUBA
Tuesday, May 23, 10 am – 12 noon
Greenville, DE

The **Mt. Cuba Center**, dedicated to the study of piedmont flora, realizes the vision of the late Mr. and Mrs. Lammot du Pont Copeland. On the gently rolling hills of the Delaware Piedmont (the foothills that gradually rise to the Appalachian mountain range), the

Copelands established their 630-acre estate to preserve the historic rural pastures and fields, protect the native forests, and develop a series of naturalistic woodland gardens and formal landscapes. Today, Mt. Cuba Center is a nonprofit institution committed to promoting an appreciation for plants native to the Delaware Piedmont. Stroll through one of the region's most beautiful wildflower gardens at its peak. View unrivaled collections of trillium, lady slipper orchids, and phlox. See the spring ephemerals you have only seen in books. Learn the secrets of naturalistic garden design on a guided tour with **Eileen Boyle**, education coordinator at the Center. Mt. Cuba in the spring is a truly magical experience. For more information on Mt. Cuba Center, visit *www.mtcubacenter.org*. Directions will be sent with confirmation. **Limit: 30. Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

Chela Kleiber

Mt. Cuba Center

WORKSHOPS

BOTANICAL ILLUSTRATION: PAINTING ROSES IN WATERCOLOR AT WYCK

Monday and Tuesday, June 5 and 6, 10 am – 3 pm
Wyck, Germantown

Spend two lovely days in June painting roses from living examples in the enchanting historic rose gardens at the National Historic Landmark house and garden, Wyck. This workshop, taught by **Eileen Rosen**, will emphasize accurate drawing and color, with demonstrations of specific watercolor techniques. All levels of experience are welcome.

Wyck, a national historic landmark in the Germantown section of Philadelphia, has been associated with glorious roses for nearly 200 years, ever since Jane Bowne Haines sketched out the formal plan and drew up her list of roses in her garden book in the 1820s. Old roses bloom just once in late May and early June. Among the oldest are the apothecary rose, dating from the 1st century A.D., and *Rosa mundi*, a striped rose. Both offer glorious scents and abundant blooms.

Directions and a materials list, including items needed for the first class, will be mailed with registration confirmation. Wyck offers convenient street parking, lunch refrigeration, indoor drawing space, outdoor shade, and modern restrooms.

Eileen Rosen has taught botanical drawing at the University of the Arts, New York Botanical Garden, the Philadelphia Museum of Art, and the Rio Bravo Research Station in Belize, Central America. **Limit: 10. Fee: $90 members, $100 non-members.**

PHOTOGRAPH YOUR GARDEN

PHS Auditorium and Chanticleer
Three Wednesdays, June 7, 14, and 21, 6 – 8 pm
(rain date for June 14 is June 15)

A garden is a multi-dimensional living work of art, but how do you frame or capture the special character of your garden in a two dimensional picture? This three-session class, presented in partnership with MyPhotoLounge.com, is designed to give you the tools you need, literally and artistically, to photograph your own or someone else's garden with a digital camera. In the first session, held at PHS, garden writer and co-author of *The Philadelphia Flower Show* **Adam Levine** will discuss why gardeners should photograph their gardens: for reference and record keeping, as a valuable tool for design, and to create attractive images of a place they love. Then **Matthew Thompson**, the East Coast technical sales representative for Nikon, will provide an in-depth overview of appropriate techniques and equipment for close-up flower photography. Matt will explain focusing, composition, and lighting techniques—from basic to intermediate—for garden photography.

In the second session, which will take place at Chanticleer, in Wayne, PA (directions will be provided), you will have the opportunity to experiment with a range of photography equipment provided by Nikon or use your own equipment to photograph the gorgeous gardens there. You will then send a selection of three of your favorite pictures to Photo Lounge's website for printing and mounting.

In the third session at PHS you will receive your mounted 8" x 10" photos and admire those of your classmates; a prize will be awarded for the best one. Fee includes instruction, admission to Chanticleer, and three mounted photos. **Fee: $40 members, $50 non-members.**

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

WALK: WEEDS

Wednesday, June 7, 10 am – 12 noon

Weeds, at Meadowbrook Farm? Yes, weeds are universal! While walking the grounds of Meadowbrook Farm, **John Story** will identify various weeds and suggest the most effective and "green" methods for controlling them. We will see that some weeds are managed easily while others need special ammunition. Our main focus will be weeds that commonly occur in gardens, but others, native or exotic, will also be addressed. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: BOG GARDEN CONTAINERS

Tuesday, June 13, 10 am – 12 noon

Under the expert guidance of **Diana Weiner** of Meadowbrook Farm, you will create a fully hardy novelty combo pot, suitable for small gardens or patios, in this fun, hands-on workshop. This enchanting bog garden in miniature will allow you to grow fascinating plant species that thrive in constantly moist conditions, even if your only water source is a watering can. Fee includes a 14-inch container, planting medium, and a selection of three plants, such as pitcher plants, sundews, or Venus fly traps. Decorative containers and additional plants will be available for purchase. **Limit 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

WALK/DEMONSTRATION: BASIC PRUNING TECHNIQUES

Tuesday, June 20, 10 am – 12 noon

Every gardener needs to develop basic pruning skills. In this demonstration, which includes a walk around the grounds of Meadowbrook Farm, **John Story** will present essential tips on how to prune a variety of shrubs including broad-leaf evergreens, conifers, flowering shrubs, and "cut backs." **Limit 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

DEMONSTRATION: SCINTILLATING SUMMER TROPICALS

Thursday, June 22, 10 am – 12 noon

Tropical plants are finding an ever more prominent place in many gardens. **Jessica Story**, head grower at Meadowbrook Farm, will show and discuss some of the old favorites as well as irresistible new introductions for Delaware Valley gardeners. Jessica will discuss the distinctive qualities of each plant, ideal growing conditions, insect and disease problems, and over-wintering suggestions. Fee includes a plant to try in your own garden this summer! **Limit 25. Fee: $25 members, $30 non-members.**

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA CONT'D

WORKSHOP: PROPAGATING CACTUS AND SUCCULENTS
Wednesday, June 28, 10 am – 12 noon

This program, presented by succulent aficionado and Meadowbrook Farm general manager **John Story**, provides a basic introduction to the fascinating world of cactus and succulents and the distinction between the terms. Topics will include culture, care, and propagation, and everyone will propagate and take home samples. **Limit: 20. Fee: $45 members, $50 non-members.**

WORKSHOP: FLOWER ARRANGING WITH SUMMER FLOWERS
Tuesday, July 11, 10 am – 12 noon

This workshop is all about encouragement! Designed for the beginner who wants to create gorgeous floral arrangements from the flowers in his or her own garden, this workshop, presented by **Virginia Page-Hentschel**, will cover everything from selecting flowers to mixing colors and textures to arranging them in a simple container. Fee includes all materials including flowers, greens, and a container. Please bring your favorite clippers and gloves. **Limit: 20. Fee: $75 members, $85 non-members.**

TOUR: THE LEGACY OF J. LIDDON PENNOCK
Wednesday, July 12, 10 am – 12 noon

This in-depth tour of Meadowbrook Farm's noted Robert McGoodwin-designed estate will include an expanded discussion on the style of J. Liddon Pennock, who was influenced by the eighteenth-century designer, Robert Adam. **Christine Misfud** will lead us through the interiors and discuss how the Pennocks lived, and **Ted Zoltowski** will show us how the gardens radiating out from the house relate to the site lines and demonstrate the aesthetic principles of J. Liddon Pennock. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

TOUR: THE LEGACY OF J. LIDDON PENNOCK
Thursday, July 13, 10 am – 12 noon

This program includes a tour of the house and gardens at Meadowbrook, as described above, and ends with a delicious boxed lunch we will enjoy in the Eagle Garden. **Limit: 25. Fee: $35 members, $40 non-members.**

The Pennock house at Meadowbrook Farm

2006 PHS GARDEN VISITS

This year's Garden Visits will spotlight exceptional gardens in the **Chestnut Hill section of Philadelphia (May 21), Meadowbrook (June 4), and Bucks County (July 9)**. All tours are from 12 noon to 5 pm. These events are for PHS members and their guests only. Fee (for each date): $10 for members, $25 for guests of members

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

Program	*Date*	*Fee*	*No. of persons*	*Cost*
			Total Fee	

Name:_____ Member ID#_____

Guest(s): _____

(If a guest will be accompanying you, please provide name.)

Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip: _____

Telephone: (day)_____ (evening) _____

Method of Payment: ☐ Check enclosed. **OR** Please charge my ☐ VISA ☐ MasterCard or ☐ American Express

Card Number_____ Expiration: _____

Signature: _____

Mail to: PHS, Attn: Education Programs, 100 North 20th Street, 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Reservations are required for all PHS activities. Payment must accompany registration. To register, fill out the reservation form and mail to: PHS, Attn: Education Programs, 100 N. 20th St., 5th floor, Philadelphia PA 19103-1495.

You may register by fax (215-988-8810) or phone (215-988-8869). Fax and phone reservations must be paid with VISA, MasterCard, or American Express.

Confirmations will be mailed for all events except Garden Visits and Brown-Bag Lunches. Your confirmation will serve as your "ticket" for events; if your registration has not been confirmed by mail, please call 215-988-8869. Travel directions will be included for all events.

Wait List: If a program is filled, we will add your name to the wait list. If space becomes available, we will call you. No payment is required to be placed on the wait list.

Refunds and Cancellations: Must be received at least 5 business days before the event. (No refund if fewer than 5 days.) The following fees will apply if your request is received 5 days in advance: Bus trips $5, all other events $3.

For more information about activities, call 215-988-8869 or email *programreg@pennhort.org*.

WOODY PLANT CONFERENCE

Friday, July 28, 2006
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, PA

Sign up early for this year's Woody Plant Conference. The all-day conference will include lectures on linking the landscape with the home, tree disease management, the history of Pennsylvania's forests, managing a sustainable urban forest, and using conifers in the landscape. There will also be a presentation on the many new and exciting woody plants now available in garden centers.

Speakers include **Tony Avent**, freelance writer, lecturer, and owner of Plant Delights Nursery, Inc., a celebrated international mail order business featuring rare and unusual plants; **Dr. Ed Gilman**, a professor of environmental horticulture at the University of Florida and the author of six books on trees and landscape plants, including *Illustrated Guide to Pruning*; **Dr. George Hudler**, member of the faculty of Cornell University who conducts active outreach and research programs on tree pathology; **Julie Moir Messervy**, an acclaimed landscape designer, lecturer, and author of *Outside the Not So Big House*, co-written with architect Sara Susanka; **Dr. Ann Fowler Rhoads**, senior botanist at the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania and co-author with Timothy A. Block of *The Plants of Pennsylvania, An Illustrated Manual* and *Trees of Pennsylvania, A Complete Reference Guide*; and **Fred Spicer**, executive director of Birmingham Botanical Gardens in Birmingham, Alabama, and a lecturer on garden design and plant selection.

The Woody Plants Conference is co-sponsored by Longwood Gardens, Inc.; the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania; the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society; the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College; and the Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

For registration information, please call the continuing education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000 ext. 507.

PHS CO-SPONSORS URBAN SUSTAINABILITY FORUM

The **Urban Sustainability Forum**, a partnership between PHS and several environmental organizations, presents a series of programs examining social and environmental conditions in Philadelphia. At monthly meetings through June 2006, the Forum examines key issues with the ultimate goal of developing and promoting an action plan for making Philadelphia the greenest, most livable city in America. The final two sessions and topics are:

Redeveloping Healthy Neighborhoods
Thursday, May 18, 6 – 8:30 pm

Goals and Actions for a Sustainable Philadelphia
Thursday, June 15, 6 – 8:30 pm

The events include a reception at 6 pm; programs begin at 6:30. The meetings, which are free and open to the public, are held at the **Academy of Natural Sciences, 1900 Ben Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia**. For more information, please visit *www.sustainablephiladelphia.com* or contact Roland Wall at 215-299-1108 or *rwall@acnatsci.org*.

MCLEAN LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

The McLean Library's "Stories from the Garden" discussion group reads and talks about works of fiction or non-fiction having to do with gardens, plants, or the land. The group meets the first Thursday evening of each month from October through June (it takes a hiatus during the summer), from 5:45 to 7:45 in the library, which is located on the first floor of PHS Headquarters, 100 N. 20th Street in Philadelphia. Please join us for these two remaining sessions:

May 4, Sarah Orne Jewett, *The Country of the Pointed Firs*

June 1, A.S. Byatt, *Angels & Insects*, "Morpho Eugenia"

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Trolley Tour: Edens Lost & Found

Sunday, June 11, 10 am to 12 noon

Discover beauty in surprising places! Hop on a trolley, visit filming locations, and hear behind-the-scenes-stories of the filming of the PBS documentary series, *Edens Lost & Found*, in Philadelphia (See page 1 for more on the film). Philadelphia Green director **Joan Reilly** will lead this tour, which will include the inspiring Village of the Arts and Humanities and other treasured gardens, where urban residents have created symbols of hope and community. Trolleys leave from Independence Visitor Center at 6th and Market Streets. Fee of $45 includes tour and boxed lunch, which we will enjoy at the Village of the Arts and Humanities. **Sponsored by First Person Arts as part of the First Person Festival, which runs from June 1 – 11, 2006. For tickets, visit *www.firstpersonarts.org* or call 267-402-2055. Tickets for this event must be purchased before June 11. Checks, money order, and major credit cards are accepted.**

SHOPPING DISCOUNTS FOR PHS MEMBERS

Save the dates below to take advantage of generous shopping discounts on outstanding offerings at the best time for planting. The Gateway and Primex Garden Centers offer a wide selection of annuals, perennials, trees, shrubs, and other gardening needs. Simply **present your PHS membership card** for your shopping discount on the dates listed below. For more information, please call the membership office at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

Saturday & Sunday, May 6 & 7
Gateway Garden Center
20% discount to PHS members; free design service by appointment for that weekend only
7277 Lancaster Pike
Hockessin, Delaware 19707
302-239-2727

Saturday, May 20
Primex Garden Center
10% discount on total purchase
435 W. Glenside Avenue
Glenside, PA 19038
215-887-7500

A FRIEND IN NEED

The Village of Arts and Humanities, an organization that has often partnered with Philadelphia Green, suffered a fire on March 4. Thankfully no one was seriously injured; however, several of the Village's facilities, located in North Central Philadelphia, sustained significant damage. If you would like to financially assist the Village during this difficult time, please call 215-225-7830 or email *lauren@villagearts.org*.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND: THE 2006 PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW MUG

The 2006 Philadelphia Flower Show Mugs were very popular this year. So much so, in fact, that they were sold out before the Show closed. For those who weren't able to purchase one, here is your chance. We have reordered a *limited* quantity, and they are now for sale on a first-come, first-served basis. (They will not be reordered again.) So act now to make sure your mug collection is complete!

Complete the order form below and mail to: PHS Merchandising Dept., 100 N. 20th St. 5th floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103. *(Visa, MasterCard, American Express, and personal checks are accepted. Make checks payable to the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society.)*

2006 Philadelphia Flower Show Mug Order Form

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GROWING YOUNG GARDENERS

They may be small, but 6,000 school children all together make a big impression. April's **Kids Grow Expo**, held on the campus of Temple University Ambler, attracted a record number of students, many of whom had entered their own horticultural creations into the annual "Junior Flower Show" competition. Such a crowd can be a bit overwhelming, but judging from the sea of smiling faces, it was worthwhile.

"Children love the chance to experience nature first-hand, so it's important to provide them with these opportunities," says Flossie Narducci, education activities manager at PHS.

Recognizing that today's children are the gardeners of tomorrow, PHS has introduced a new batch of youth-oriented programs that help young people appreciate the role of nature in their lives and its importance to the urban environment.

Larry Stier

Penn Alexander teacher Michele Dixon and students study native plantings at the U.S.P. Lower Mill Creek Garden.

Funded by the National Recreation Foundation, the **Green City Youth** program brings together teachers, students, and local greening activists and engages them in horticultural activities. The hands-on service-learning curriculum, created in partnership with Delaware Valley Earth Force, encourages students to conceive and develop their own greening projects throughout the school year and to become good community stewards.

"Our first year has been a great success," says PHS project manager and former teacher Larry Stier, who oversees the project. "Students chose to improve their neighborhoods in a variety of ways, and they demonstrated a true understanding of the importance of community greening."

About 150 students from five Philadelphia schools took part in Green City Youth this year. They took on a variety of projects in partnership with greening activists from their neighborhoods. At the Penn Alexander School and the Hunter School, students planted "habitat gardens," using plants that attract urban wildlife. Sulzberger School students created a video promoting the importance of community greening and created colorful planters of annual flowers for nearby residents. Kids from the Kensington Culinary Academy worked with the Woodrock Outdoor Leadership Force to plant street trees. Children from the Bache Martin School in Fairmount worked with volunteers from the Friends of Eastern State Penitentiary to plant flowers on the school grounds and participated in PHS's City Hall in Bloom, an annual planting of the garden beds around City Hall, which was sponsored this year by KPMG (see page 3).

PHS is also reaching out to Philadelphia teachers through the **Gardening Resources & Environmental Education Network** (GREEN), a program that aims to give Philadelphia educators the tools to incorporate horticulture and environmental education in their classroom curriculums. The GREEN program, which begins in the fall, is funded by a grant from W. Atlee Burpee & Co.

Another new initiative is the **Summer Youth Environmental Stewardship Program**, a partnership between Philadelphia Green, the city's Department of Recreation, and the Fairmount Park Commission. Supported by the William Penn Foundation, it provides employment for six weeks to young people taking part in stewardship activities in parks and recreation centers in Philadelphia.

For more information about PHS education programs, please visit ***www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org***.

PHS MEMBERS' DAY

Saturday, September 16

Mark your calendar and save the date for PHS Members' Day on **Saturday, September 16, from 11 am to 4 pm at the Philadelphia Navy Yard.**

Don't miss the **Annual Plant Dividend**, offering thousands of plants to choose from, including perennials, trees, shrubs, and houseplants. The second annual **TreeVitalize tree sale** will feature beautifully grown specimens that can be pre-ordered (lists are available on the web and through the mail). Five **vendors** will also have plants for sale, and plant societies will be on hand offering horticultural information.

There also will be children's activities, the Gardeners' Studio, tours of the Navy Yard, food concessions, a hospitality tent, and music. **New members and members who renew that day will receive a gift for the garden.**

THE PENNSYLVANIA HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
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PHILADELPHIA GREEN
PHILADELPHIA FLOWER SHOW
MEADOWBROOK FARM

The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society motivates people to improve the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture.

PEPPERPOT

Edens Found

When Wiland-Bell Productions asked us if we would like to participate in the creation of a TV documentary that would show the innovative solutions four cities had developed to overcome environmental, economic, and social challenges, the conversation went back and forth at PHS—should we, should we not? We knew that for the staff members who would be closely involved with this production, it would be one more stretch of their already overcrowded schedules. Also, I had a hard time imagining not only the final product, but how this endeavor could advance PHS's mission to motivate people to enhance the quality of life and create a sense of community through horticulture. In trying to determine whether to take on new projects, this "mission test" is one we always use.

When the lights went up after the premiere at the Kimmel Center's Perelman Theater in early May, I knew we had made the right decision. There was hardly a dry eye in the house, and the chatter at the reception that followed was all about the amazing individuals—the real stars of the production—who had made such a difference in their neighborhoods. The power of gardens, murals, and green spaces to lift the soul and heal the spirit was evident in each of the poignant stories told in *Edens Lost & Found—Philadelphia: The Holy Experiment.*

I hope you had a chance to see this PBS production. It ran on Channel 12 in the last week of May and will be re-broadcast next year at Flower Show time. It is also available to Comcast Digital Cable "On Demand" customers (look for WHYY Viewer Favorites in the "Get Local" section). You may also borrow a DVD of the Philadelphia production from the McLean Library or purchase it—or the one-hour segments about Chicago, Los Angeles, and Seattle—on the Edens Lost & Found website (*www.edenslostandfound.org*).

As a follow-up to the documentary, PHS is co-sponsoring an urban greening symposium with the University of Pennsylvania's Penn Institute for Urban Research, from October 15 through 17. One of the most exciting presentations will be the keynote speech by Wangari Maathai, who was awarded the 2004 Nobel Peace prize for her work with the Green Belt Movement in her home country Kenya. See the notice on this page for more information.

Jane G. Pepper
PHS President

SAVE THE DATE: SYMPOSIUM ON URBAN GREENING

October 15 – 17, 2006

Inspired by the film series *Edens Lost & Found*, this national symposium on sustainable urban environments is co-sponsored by PHS, the Institute for Urban Research at the University of Pennsylvania, and the Media and Policy Center Foundation. The symposium begins with a reception on Sunday evening, October 15, and continues with full-day sessions October 16 and 17. Keynote speaker **Wangari Maathai** won the Nobel Peace Prize in 2004 for her contributions to sustainable development, democracy, and peace.

The symposium will be held on the University of Pennsylvania campus at Houston Hall and Irvine Auditorium. **For more information and a program schedule, please contact Priscilla Becroft at *pbecroft@pennhort.org* or 215-988-8772.**

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: HAILE JOHNSTON & TATIANA GARCIA-GRANADOS

Whoever said one person—or one inspiring couple—can't make a difference hasn't met Haile Johnston and Tatiana Garcia-Granados. The engaged pair founded the East Park Revitalization Alliance (EPRA) in 2003, shortly after moving into their home in the Strawberry Mansion neighborhood of Philadelphia. Their mission was to mobilize their fellow residents and create a better quality of life through greening, art, and education.

As graduates of Philadelphia Green's Garden Tenders and Tree Tenders workshops, they set out to revamp their neighborhood with community spaces, clean lots, and new trees. "Besides the obvious lessons in tree and garden care, we learned how community collaboration can allow a small number of people to have a grand impact," says Haile, who now serves on the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board. "So we knew it was important to get our neighbors involved."

To help improve their neighborhood both aesthetically and economically, EPRA employs only residents of the Strawberry Mansion and Brewerytown communities. Last year alone, 20 local residents were put to work on a part-time basis. Most employees work on the monthly upkeep of 250 parcels of vacant land, as well as 335,000 square feet of stabilized vacant lots—part of Philadelphia Green's Community LandCare, a vacant land management project funded by the City's Neighborhood Transformation Initiative.

One such lot is directly across the street from Haile and Tatiana's home. Because of their persistence, the view outside their window is no longer abandoned housing, but rather a colorful mural and lush lawn. "When the renovations were completed, 300 of our neighbors joined us in celebration. Now, every time I look out, I think how great the change is and how proud I am of my neighborhood," Tatiana says.

The accomplishments of EPRA are immediately visible when traveling through Strawberry Mansion. To date, EPRA has planted more than 200 trees;, a remarkable transformation that harkens back to the neighborhood's formerly-lush landscape.

Haile and Tatiana also strive to integrate community children in their efforts, instilling a sense of pride and proprietorship in the area's youngest residents. They organized a summer camp and after-school program to teach the children about nutrition and healthy living. They are also working with PHS to help form a young friends group that will promote urban greening issues.

"Wanting to improve our community seems like such a natural thing, that it's surprising to receive such attention," the couple said of the accolades they received earlier this year at the Philadelphia Green Brunch at the Flower Show. "Still, it's a tremendous honor, and we are extremely proud. We hope to advance the Philadelphia Green mission as much as we can."

– Dan Moise

PHILADELPHIA GREEN HAPPENINGS

Here's a look at some recent highlights from Philadelphia Green.

▼ **The Great Tree Jamboree** *was a five-county celebration organized to raise awareness about the importance of trees. Sponsored by TreeVitalize, an initiative of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, the Jamboree included children's activities, planting ceremonies, and overall good times. Below, Students' eco-awareness is put to the test for "Environmental Jeopardy."*

▲ **City Hall in Bloom** *On May 23, more than 200 volunteers from KPMG, an audit, risk advisory, and tax services company, worked with 30 children from the Bache-Martin School to help beautify Philadelphia's City Hall. They planted 5,000 annuals and three trees, pruned hedges, cleaned benches and washed railings, and generally had a great time. The annual spruce-up is a joint project of PHS and the Fairmount Park Commission; this year's event was sponsored by KPMG in celebration of its Centennial year in Philadelphia.*

▼ *In partnership with Keep Pennsylvania Beautiful, PHS is training 16 college interns to help beautify seven communities in Pennsylvania. Below, local children pitch in as the students visit the Village of Arts and Humanities in North Philadelphia.*

◀ *This year's Earth Day was a wet one, but the rain didn't deter more than 500 volunteers from participating in the 7th annual* **Spring Into Your Park** *on Saturday, April 22. Neighborhood parks across the city received a massive spring cleaning thanks to the efforts of these waterproof volunteers who ranged in age from 8 to 81. In the few hours before the deluge, 557 bags of trash and debris were collected and removed from the parks, eight trees and 905 flowers were planted, and 18 graffiti sites were abated.*

CITY GARDENING SERIES

The City Gardening Series presents workshops, lectures, and events for people who garden in small spaces. Events are held at neighborhood branches of the Free Library of Philadelphia and other locations in the city. **Events are free unless otherwise noted.** For a complete list of upcoming activities, please browse the calendar on the PHS website, or contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872 or *citygardening@pennhort.org*.

The City Gardening Series is generously supported through a collaborative partnership with **Chanticleer… A Pleasure Garden**, in Wayne, PA.

Terrariums: Landscapes in Miniature

Monday, July 10, 6:30 – 7:30 pm
Philadelphia City Institute Free Library
1905 Locust Street

Designing Containers for the Small Garden

Wednesday, July 12, 6 – 7 pm
Woodstock Community Center
2829 N. Lambert Street

Summer Bus Trip to Chanticleer

Thursday, July 20, 5 – 8 pm

Buses will leave PHS, 100 North 20th Street at 5 pm **SHARP**, returning to Philadelphia by 9 pm. Please bring a light supper. Snacks and refreshments will be supplied. **Due to limited space, registration and a $5 fee are required for this event.** For more information and to **REGISTER by Thursday, July 13**, contact Marilyn Reynolds at 215-988-8872.

Water Gardens for Small Spaces

Monday, August 7, 4 – 5 pm
Kensington Branch, Free Library of Philadelphia
104 W. Dauphin Street

Cooking with Herbs

Saturday, August 26, 10 – 11 am
Awbury Arboretum
Cope House, One Awbury Road

PHS PRESENTS HITOMI GILLIAM, AIFD

Flower Arranging Events

October 11–13, 2006
At the Philadelphia Cricket Club
415 West Willow Grove Avenue
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Hitomi Gilliam is a floral artist who creates designs showcasing the ephemeral beauty of flowers to provide a visual experience unlike any other. Her love of art is reflected in her floral designs. A member of the American Institute of Floral Designers, Hitomi is one of only five recipients of AIFD's prestigious Design Influence Award.

Philippe Martin-Morice

Wednesday, October 11, 2006
10 am – noon

• *Demonstration: "Couture Flower Arranging – Sophisticated Styles for Contemporary Living"*

An in-depth study of the dynamics of intriguing blends of color, texture, line, and form with an eclectic mixture of floral materials to create exotic mixes for today's refined and cultured tastes.

• *Lunch with Hitomi, 1 – 2:30 pm (limit 15), for demonstration participants*

Thursday, October 12

• *Workshop: 9 am – noon*
"Lifestyle Flowers – Decorative Designing for the Home"

An innovative decorative patterning that makes designing easy, with simple recipes for successful designs. For beginner to intermediate arrangers. Limit 25.

• *Workshop: 1 – 4 pm*
"Lifestyle Flowers – Artful Designing for the Home"

An artistic approach to floral design suitable for today's lifestyles. Several techniques will be introduced to encourage individual creative expression. For experienced arrangers. Limit 25.

Friday, October 13
9 am – 4 pm

• *Workshop: "Designing for Excellence"*

Hone your exhibiting skills in this full-day workshop for competitive exhibitors. Limit 25.

For more information, please contact Lisa Wiley at 215-988-8832 or at *lwiley@pennhort.org*.

PHS Presents Hitomi Gilliam, AIFD

Register by phone, fax or mail. Make checks payable to PHS and send to:
Lisa Wiley, The Pennsylvania Horticultural Society, 100 N. 20th Street, 5th Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1495
Telephone: 215-988-8832 • Fax: 215-988-8810 • Free parking for all programs.

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Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____

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Wed., Oct. 11: **Demonstration: Couture Flower Arranging – Sophisticated Styles for Contemporary Living**
Open seating: ____ reservations @ $55 = $_____
Preferred Seating: ____ reservations @ $75 = $_____

Wed., Oct. 11: **Lunch With Hitomi (Limit 15)** ____ reservations @ $50 = $_____

Thurs., Oct. 12: **AM Workshop: Lifestyle Flowers – Decorative Designing for the Home**
____ reservations @$150 = $_____

Thurs., Oct. 12: **PM Workshop: Lifestyle Flowers – Artful Designing for the Home**
____ reservations @$150 = $_____

Fri., Oct. 13: **Workshop: Designing for Excellence** ____ reservations @$300 = $_____

All proceeds benefit the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society. **Total $_____**

Registering for two or more people? Please include names and addresses of additional registrants on a separate sheet.

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A FAMILY AFFAIR

The Philadelphia Flower Show is a special tradition for five sisters who haven't missed a Show in more than a decade. Although they no longer share a last name, Jay Smalley, Julie Krell, Irene Teter, Lucille Chabala, and Helen Finch are recognizably related—particularly because they wear identical attire to the Show each year.

"People sometimes ask us if we're a bowling team," Helen says with a laugh, "but the only reason we wear matching outfits is so that we can find each other among all the people."

But the sisters don't need coordinated clothing to stand out in a crowd. Infonet chair Charlotte Betancourt will never forget her first encounter with the quick-witted quintet: "In 2005 the theme was 'America the Beautiful.' I was working in the information booth when I was approached by five ladies decked out in red, white, and blue. But it isn't their outfits I remember as much as their friendliness and excitement for being all together at the Flower Show."

Since the theme of next year's Show is *Legends of Ireland*, be on the lookout for five lovely ladies in green.

– Dan Moise

CHALLENGE PLANTS FOR FLOWER SHOW

The challenge plants for the 2007 Flower Show have been chosen:

Class 2999	*Hedera helix* 'Leprechaun'
Class 3999	*Pelargonium sidoides*
Class 4999	*Aeonium* 'Zwartkop'

A limited supply of plants will be available for $5 each at PHS beginning September 19. Only plants purchased from PHS are eligible for these classes. Only one of each plant per exhibitor, first come, first served; no reservations. To see if plants are still available, please call PHS at 215-988-8800 after September 19 and ask for the Shows Department. Plants must be picked up by Wednesday, October 4.

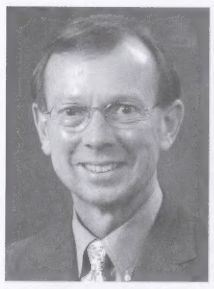
PHS AWARDS FOR 2006

PHS is pleased to announce the Annual Awards for 2006. The awards will be formally presented at the Annual Meeting on November 14 at 5 pm.

Distinguished Achievement Medal

Edward L. Lindemann

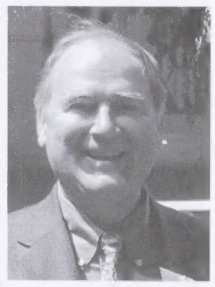
During his 25 years designing the Philadelphia Flower Show, Ed Lindemann set a task for himself: make sure each Flower Show was bigger and better than the one before. Ed worked at PHS for 33 years; he joined the staff in 1972 as a horticulturist and became Shows Designer in 1980. During his tenure, the Show grew by leaps and bounds, especially after moving from the Philadelphia Civic Center to the Pennsylvania Convention Center in 1996. A horticulturist by training, Ed has designed gardens locally and around the country and has lectured and appeared on television; for many years, he was a regular on Philadelphia's *Captain Noah Show* during the weekly "A Child's Garden" series. Ed retired from PHS following the 2004 Show and moved to Cape Cod, Massachusetts with his wife Carol, who also worked at PHS for many years. He continues to serve as consultant to the Newport Flower Show, where he regularly sees many of his Philadelphia Flower Show fans.



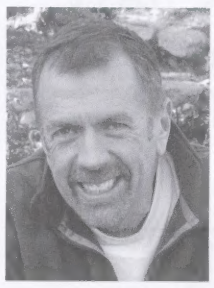
Certificates of Merit

Jack Blandy

Jack Blandy has raised the bar of excellence for exhibitors at the Philadelphia Flower Show for more than a quarter of a century, helping to make the annual event the best in the country. Jack, a Pennsylvania certified horticulturist and accredited Pennsylvania nurseryman, founded Stoney Bank Nurseries more than 30 years ago, creating a legacy of excellence through his expertise in design and installation. Stoney Bank routinely wins major Flower Show awards, including five Best in Show awards. The nursery has also been selected three times to design and install the Show's Central Feature; in 2006, Jack created Natura's *Wind, Water and Fire* gardens. Jack is a board member and vice chair of the Pennsylvania Landscape and Nursery Association's Foundation of Ornamental Horticulture; at PHS, he is a member of the Flower Show Executive Committee and served on the PHS Council for two terms.



David Culp



Gardeners are drawn to David Culp not only for the depth and breadth of his knowledge, but also for his warmth and generosity of spirit. David's principal occupation is representative for Sunny Border Nurseries, based in Kensington, Connecticut, although he is eagerly sought in a number of other contexts: plantsman, designer, gardener, lecturer, and teacher. He has collected plants around the world and has studied plant groups like *Galanthus* and *Helleborus* in depth; his hybridized hellebores, in particular, are much sought-after in the trade. He is a contributing editor at *Horticulture* magazine and has reached professional and amateur gardeners alike through such venues as *Martha Stewart Living* and HGTV (Home and Garden Television). A past president of the Pennsylvania Hardy Plant Society, David has been most generous of his time and talents with PHS, leading tours and programs in his Chester County garden, as well as donating plants for the annual Members' Day Plant Dividend.

Dorene Martin

A longtime resident of Philadelphia's Fairmount neighborhood, Dorene is one of the founding volunteer gardeners at Philadelphia Green's terrace garden at Eastern State Penitentiary. She was instrumental in bringing a group of dedicated gardeners together more than 15 years ago to beautify this site. After clearing the weeds and trash and planting a mixed border of flowering shrubs, enormous ornamental grasses, perennials, and bulbs, Dorene and her group continue to tend this garden and make it shine brightly throughout the year. Dorene is a past member of the Philadelphia Green Advisory Board, has served as a judge for the City Gardens Contest, and volunteers at Kids Grow Expo and the Philadelphia Flower Show.

GROWING THE FUTURE OF PHS

Members of the **Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society** gathered this spring at the home of Elizabeth and Bill McLean in Wynnewood to celebrate and share their inspiration with others considering making a planned gift to PHS. Guests enjoyed cocktails and a tour of the McLeans' extensive gardens and had lunch on the patio overlooking the estate. Over dessert, Phil Wallis of Keystone Conservation Trust talked about the charitable benefits of donating appreciated real estate to PHS.

Dorothea H. Behr of Berwyn and Alan P. Slack of Oxford, both founding members of the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society.

From left to right: Sis (Mrs. Robert) Ziesing of Bryn Mawr; J. Blaine Bonham, executive vice president of PHS (center); and Jean (Mrs. G. Lloyd) Kirk of Bryn Mawr.

If you would like to receive an invitation for a future event to hear Phil's presentation or learn more about how to include PHS in your estate plans, please contact Melissa DeRuiter, PHS development director, at 215-988-8766 or *mderuiter@pennhort.org.*

If you have included PHS in your estate plans, please let us know so we may thank you and add you to our honor roll!

Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society Founding Members

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Phyllis G. Williams

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Russ Jones of Chadds Ford and Elizabeth P. McLean, founding member of the Elizabeth S. Schaffer Society.

WALKS AT CHANTICLEER
WAYNE, PA

SENSATIONAL SUMMER CONTAINERS
Wednesday, July 12, 6 – 8 pm

Container gardening at Chanticleer goes way beyond the ordinary, mingling annual, perennial, tropical, and subtropical plants in vibrant, fearless, creative combinations. **Dan Benarcik** will discuss how to create successful container gardens and offer suggestions for uncommon plant combinations. He'll also cover cultural concerns, such as soil mixes, watering, and fertilization. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

SCRATCH AND SNIFF
Wednesday, July 26, 6 – 8 pm

Spend a sensuous summer evening walking through Chanticleer with **Robert Herald**, who will shield our eyes and ears to the sights and sounds of the garden; instead, we will follow our noses and discover those plants that delight our most powerful sense—smell. We will explore both floral and foliage fragrance and how these alluring qualities can be used in our own garden design and plant selections. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

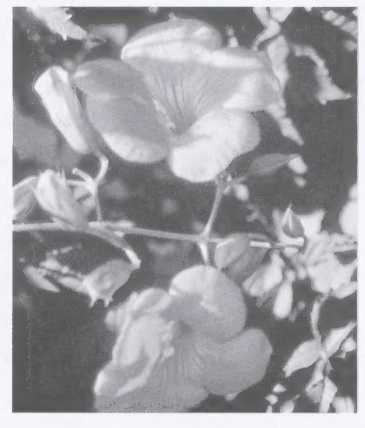
FEATURING WATER IN YOUR GARDEN
Wednesday, August 9, 6 – 8 pm

Water is the essence of life and a source of delight in any garden. It adds sound, a play of light, and a soothing oasis for you and for wildlife. From floating flowers in a pot to the simplest fountain to a stream, pool, or pond, water features belong in every garden, no matter the size. **Joe Henderson** will discuss different features and how best to include them in your garden; he will also discuss water plants. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

FLOWER ARRANGING FROM THE GARDEN
Thursday, August 10, 6 – 8 pm

Why spend lots of money buying flowers when you can create something of beauty from what's happening right outside in your garden, regardless of the time of year? Join Chanticleer horticulturist **Jonathan Wright** on an inspiring walk through Chanticleer and its Cut-Flower Garden. Jonathan will demonstrate and discuss techniques for creating various types of arrangements while putting together numerous creations before your eyes. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

VINES
Thursday, September 7, 5:30 – 7:30 pm



Add a new dimension to your garden! There are vines suitable for all kinds of situations: climbing on a trellis, meandering up a tree, growing on the wall, or scrambling through a perennial border. Join **Lisa Roper** as we stroll through Chanticleer and discuss the choices available, the different ways vines climb, preferred cultural conditions, and the structures or hardware necessary to assist them. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

LATE SEASON SHADE
Wednesday, September 20, 5:30 – 7:30 pm

Horticulturist **Przemek Walczak** will guide us through the enchanting grounds of Chanticleer and highlight the splendid shade-loving plants that you can enjoy in your garden all summer, but which come into their full glory in the cooler nights and shorter days of autumn. You'll take home many ideas in time for fall planting. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

TRAVEL WITH US
PHS Visits Ireland, Summer, 2007

Legends of Ireland is the theme of the 2007 Philadelphia Flower Show, and the exhibits will surely whet your appetite to see the real thing. So don't miss the chance to experience the beauty of Irish gardens during a PHS garden tour next summer.

The climate in Ireland allows a wide variety of plants to flourish, from palm trees to alpine plants, and the Irish gardening tradition is flourishing. In both the north and the south, we'll visit gardens created over a century ago as well as some planted in recent years.

We'll enjoy warm Irish hospitality throughout our trip as we explore the Ards peninsula in County Down near Belfast, home to famous gardens such Mount Stewart and Castle Ward. In Dublin, we'll visit one of the best-known private gardens; in Cork, we'll enjoy an array of old as well as contemporary gardens. Besides private and public gardens, we'll include natural wonders, cultural attractions, and beautiful scenery as we tour this captivating island.

The home of Irish garden writer and lecturer Helen Dillon will be included in the tour.

The itinerary will be ready in September and can be found on the PHS website. If you have not traveled with us before and would like to receive a hard copy, please contact Betsy Gullan at 215-988-8778 or *bgullan@pennhort.org*.

IN THE GARDEN

THE JAPANESE GARDEN: BASIC DESIGN PRINCIPLES
Saturday, September 30, 10 am – 12 Noon
Shofuso Japanese House and Garden, Philadelphia

If you have ever admired Japanese gardening traditions and wished to bring their moods and serenity in your own garden, you will enjoy this opportunity to join **John Denick** and **Asher Browne** at Shofuso, the Japanese House in Fairmount Park. Designed for the novice, this program will cover the basic principles of Japanese gardening, including how to use forced perspective, textures, and placement to create a peaceful oasis. John and Asher will also cover the development of Japanese gardens, basic horticultural techniques, plants, and gardening methods unique to the Japanese garden. A tour of the gardens is included. **Fee: $20 members, $25 non-members.**

PROGRAMS · EDUCATION PROGRAMS

PROGRAMS AT MEADOWBROOK FARM
ABINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA

WORKSHOP: FLOWER ARRANGING WITH SUMMER FLOWERS
Tuesday, July 11, 10 am – 12 noon

This workshop is all about encouragement! Designed for the beginner who wants to create gorgeous floral arrangements from the flowers in his or her own garden, this workshop, presented by **Virginia Page-Hentschel**, will cover everything from selecting flowers to mixing colors and textures to arranging them in a simple container. Fee includes all materials including flowers, greens, and a container. Please bring your favorite clippers and gloves. **Limit: 20. Fee: $75 members, $85 non-members.**

TOUR: THE LEGACY OF J. LIDDON PENNOCK
Wednesday, July 12, 10 am – 12 noon

This in-depth tour of Meadowbrook Farm's noted Robert McGoodwin-designed estate will include an expanded discussion on the style of J. Liddon Pennock, who was influenced by the eighteenth-century designer Robert Adam. **Christine Misfud** will lead us through the interiors and discuss how the Pennocks lived, and **Ted Zoltowski** will show us how the gardens radiating out from the house relate to the site lines and demonstrate the aesthetic principles of J. Liddon Pennock. **Limit: 25. Fee: $18 members, $23 non-members.**

WAITING LIST

The Pennock house at Meadowbrook Farm

TOUR: THE LEGACY OF J. LIDDON PENNOCK
Thursday, July 13, 10 am – 12 noon

This program includes a tour of the house and gardens at Meadowbrook, as described above, and ends with a delicious boxed lunch we will enjoy in the Eagle Garden. **Limit: 25. Fee: $35 members, $40 non-members.**

EDUCATION PROGRAMS REGISTRATION FORM

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WOODY PLANT CONFERENCE

Friday, July 28, 2006
Lang Performing Arts Center, Swarthmore College
Swarthmore, PA

Sign up early for this year's Woody Plant Conference. The all-day conference will include lectures on linking the landscape with the home, tree disease management, the history of Pennsylvania's forests, managing a sustainable urban forest, and using conifers in the landscape. There will also be a presentation on the many new and exciting woody plants now available in garden centers.

Speakers include **Tony Avent**, freelance writer, lecturer, and owner of Plant Delights Nursery, Inc., an international mail order business featuring rare and unusual plants; **Dr. Ed Gilman**, a professor of environmental horticulture at the University of Florida and the author of six books on trees and landscape plants, including *Illustrated Guide to Pruning*; **Dr. George Hudler**, a member of Cornell University's faculty who conducts active outreach and research programs on tree pathology; **Julie Moir Messervy**, an acclaimed landscape designer, lecturer, and author of *Outside the Not So Big House*, co-written with architect Sara Susanka; **Dr. Ann Fowler Rhoads**, senior botanist at the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania and co-author with Timothy A. Block of *The Plants of Pennsylvania, An Illustrated Manual* and *Trees of Pennsylvania, A Complete Reference Guide*; and **Fred Spicer**, executive director of Birmingham Botanical Gardens in Birmingham, Alabama, and a lecturer on garden design and plant selection.

The Woody Plants Conference is co-sponsored by Longwood Gardens, Inc.; the Morris Arboretum of the University of Pennsylvania; the Pennsylvania Horticultural Society; the Scott Arboretum of Swarthmore College; and the Tyler Arboretum. The conference includes lunch and tours of the Scott Arboretum.

For registration information, please call the continuing education office at Longwood Gardens, 610-388-1000 ext. 507.

GREEN SCENE PHOTO CONTEST IS BACK!

The *Green Scene* "Garden Photo Contest" is back for 2006. This year's theme will be **"People in the Garden"** and we're hoping to see your best shots of friends, family, gardeners, or everyday nature lovers standing amidst the flowers and foliage.

The contest's judges will be looking for superb images that capture the beauty of gardening and create a sense of community through horticulture. Winning photos will be published in the December/January 2006 issue of *Green Scene* magazine and on the PHS website, *www.pennsylvaniahorticulturalsociety.org.*

Photos can be shot in any format, but **must be submitted as 4 x 6- or 5 x 7-inch prints, with your name, phone number, and email address on the back**. No submissions by email or on CD will be accepted. **The deadline for entries is September 1, 2006. Prizes will be announced in the next issue of *PHS News*.**

For more entry information, official contest rules, and a complete list of submission requirements, please see the June or August issues of *Green Scene* or visit the PHS website. You can also email *greenscene@pennhort.org.*

NEIGHBORHOOD GARDENS ASSOCIATION EVENTS

The Neighborhood Gardens Association/A Philadelphia Land Trust (NGA) is a private, nonprofit urban land trust that works to ensure the continuity and long-term preservation of community gardens and green spaces in Philadelphia neighborhoods. Incorporated in 1986 with help from PHS and the Penn State Urban Gardening Program, NGA celebrates its 20th anniversary this year.

White Dog Café Neighborhood Tour of NGA Gardens
Saturday, July 8: 8:30 am

The perfect way to spend a Saturday, this event includes a coffee and muffin breakfast, a trolley tour around town, and a gourmet lunch. The cost is $45, a portion of which will be donated to NGA. Call 215-386-9224 to register.

Happy 20th NGA!
Friday, July 21: 4 – 7 pm

Come celebrate 20 years of preserving community green spaces. Refreshments and a delicious birthday cake will be served at the Southwark Queen Village Garden, 3rd and Christian Streets.

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DONATIONS NEEDED FOR THE MCLEAN LIBRARY BOOK SALE

The PHS McLean Library is looking for used gardening and natural history books for our annual book sale, which will be held on **Tuesday, October 3, from 9:30 am to 5 pm** in the Library on the first floor of PHS headquarters. Open to members and the public, the sale is a wonderful way to recycle useful gardening books. So now is the time to do a little weeding—of your book shelves—and deliver them to the Library. For more information, please call 215-988-8772 or email *mcleanlibrary@pennhort.org.*

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